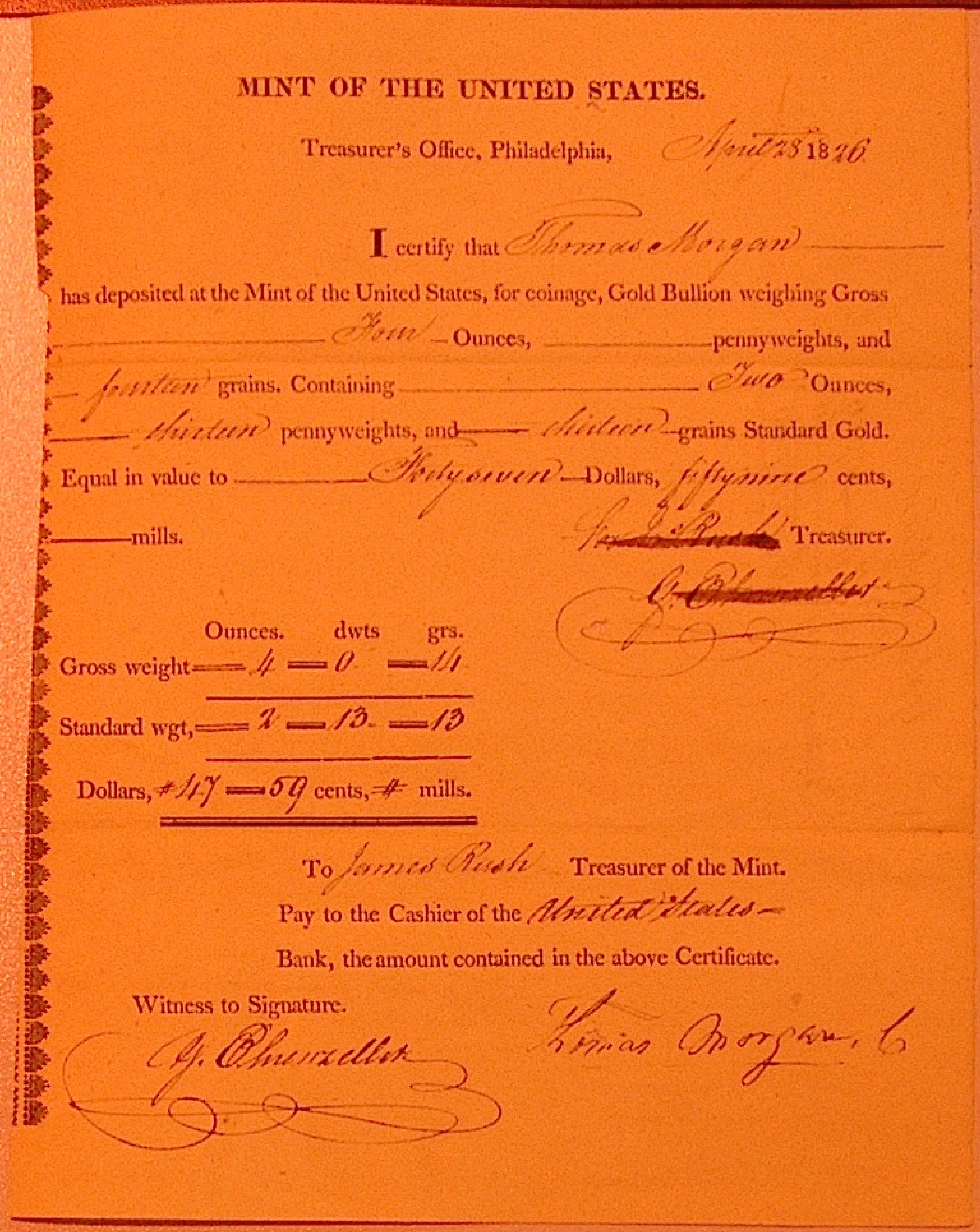

MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, April 28 1826

I certify that Thomas Morgan has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross Four Ounces, pennyweights, and fourteen grains. Containing Two Ounces, thirteen pennyweights, and thirteen grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to Fortyseven Dollars, fiftynine cents, mills.

~~J. Rush~~ Treasurer.

J. ~~Cheuzeller~~

	Ounces.	dwts	grs.
Gross weight	4	0	14
Standard wgt,	2	13	13

Dollars, 47 — 59 cents, # mills.

To James Rush Treasurer of the Mint.

Pay to the Cashier of the United States Bank, the amount contained in the above Certificate.

Witness to Signature.

J. Cheuzeller

Thomas Morgan

Gold Bullion

Dollars—47.59

deduct for refining —— .29

D. 47.30

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Hudson May 3rd 1828

Sir,

Your favour of the 25th ulto. is duly received. You have enclosed the U.S. Br. Bk. N.Y. Certificates of deposite for One hundred twenty dollars as requested.

You will please send me the amt. in Cents, as soon as may be, and oblige, Very Respectfully

Yr. Most Obt.

Wm. H. Coffin

Saml. Moore Esq.

125
414
539
184
75
9.14

Mint of the U. States

Philad.a May 6. 1826

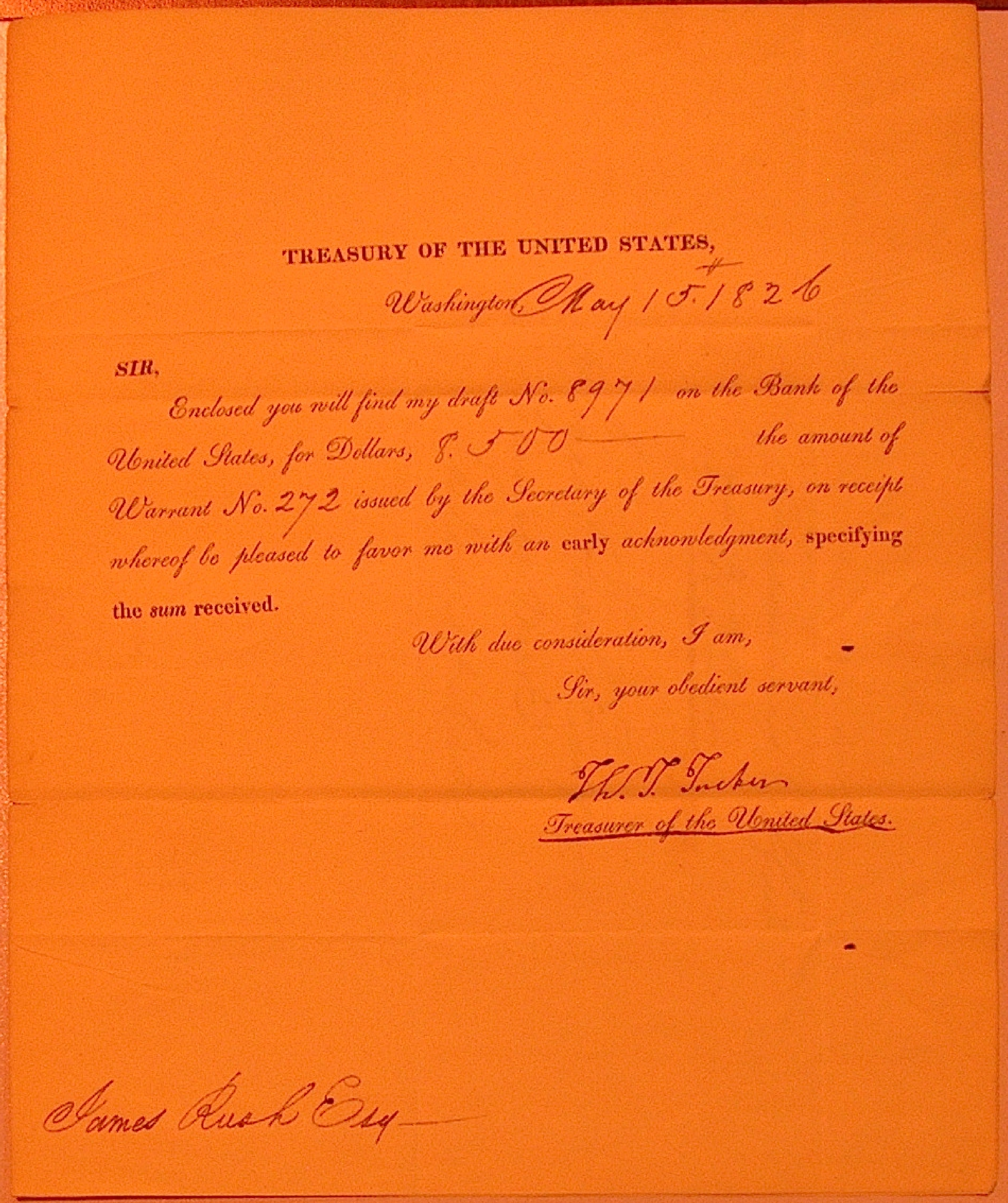
Sir

Yours of the 3.d covering certificate of Deposite, to the credit of the Treas.r of U. States, for $120 in the Branch Bank at N. York was rec.d yesterday — the amount in cents, as requisite, will be shipped this day on board of one of the Packets for N. York ~~[illegible]~~ ~~addressed~~ the care to Mess.rs Satterlee & Duane by whom the delivery thereof ~~[illegible]~~ to Hudson will be ~~forthwith~~ promptly attended to —

Very respectfully

Your ob.t Ser.t

Sam.l Moore



TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, May 15th 1826

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 8971 *on the Bank of the United States, for Dollars,* $.500 *the amount of Warrant No.* 272 *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an* early *acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

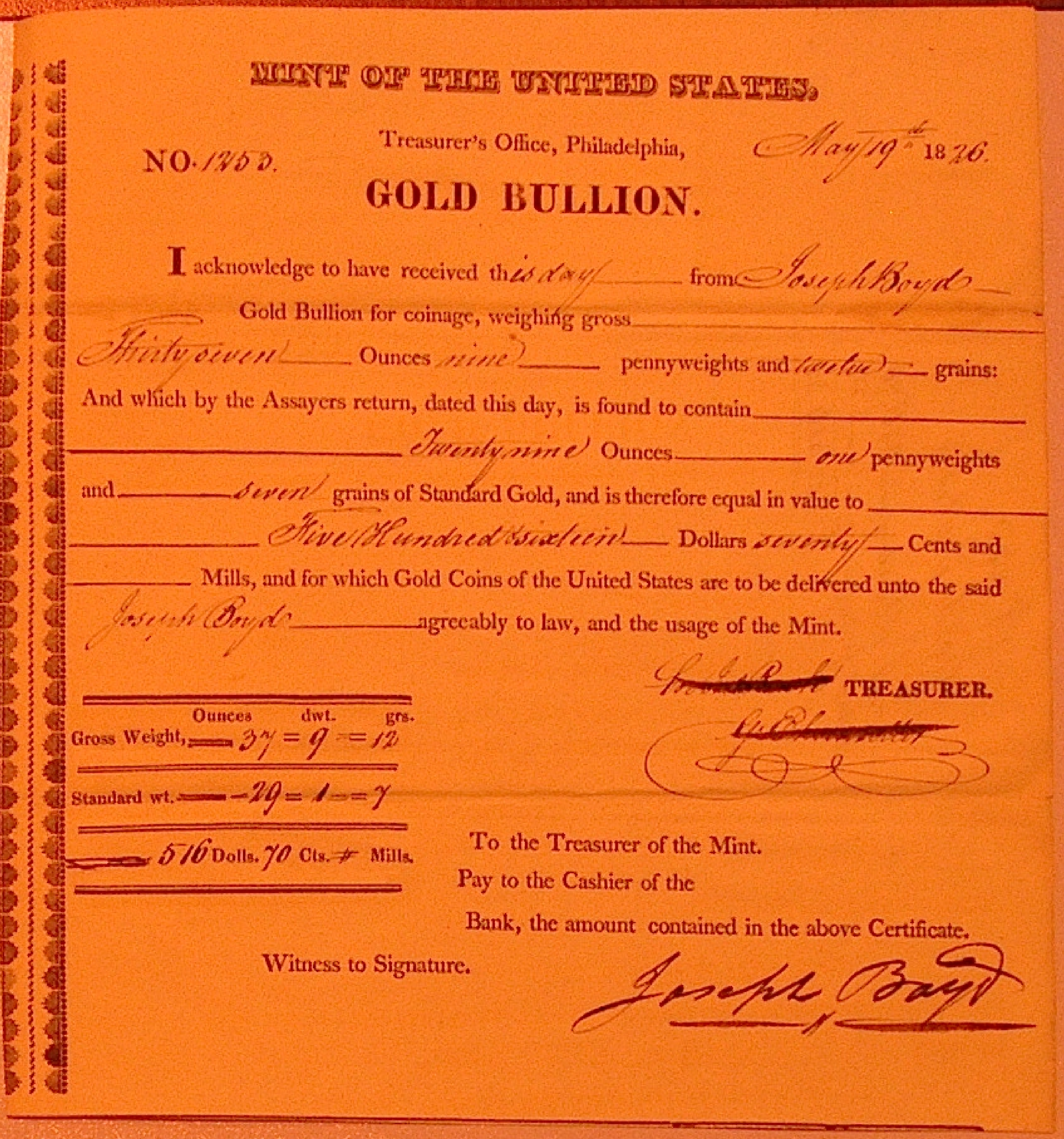
With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

Th. T. Tucker

Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esq



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

NO. 1253. Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, May 19th 1826.

GOLD BULLION.

I acknowledge to have received this day from Joseph Boyd Gold Bullion for coinage, weighing gross Thirty seven Ounces nine pennyweights and twelve grains: And which by the Assayers return, dated this day, is found to contain Twenty nine Ounces one pennyweights and seven grains of Standard Gold, and is therefore equal in value to Five Hundred & sixteen Dollars seventy Cents and Mills, and for which Gold Coins of the United States are to be delivered unto the said Joseph Boyd agreeably to law, and the usage of the Mint.

TREASURER.

	Ounces	dwt.	grs.
Gross Weight,	37	9	12
Standard wt.	29	1	7

516 Dolls. 70 Cts. # Mills.

To the Treasurer of the Mint.
Pay to the Cashier of the
Bank, the amount contained in the above Certificate.

Witness to Signature.

Joseph Boyd

No 1253.
Gold Bullion
Dollars ——516.70
deduct for refining ——2.25
Bal 514.45

P 32 @ 61 . 30 Caskse @ Meas
1.6.1.4 . 2.8 . 80 . 0 5 @ 1/ff
£4 . . .
Primage . 4 . .
£4 . 4 . .
$18.67

RECEIVED, in good order and condition, from THOMAS and JOHN D. THORNELY, of *Liverpool*, on board the good Ship or Vessel called the Tuscarora whereof I, J. Terrell am Master, now lying in the *Port of Liverpool*, and bound for Philadelphia

Thirty Casks Hardware

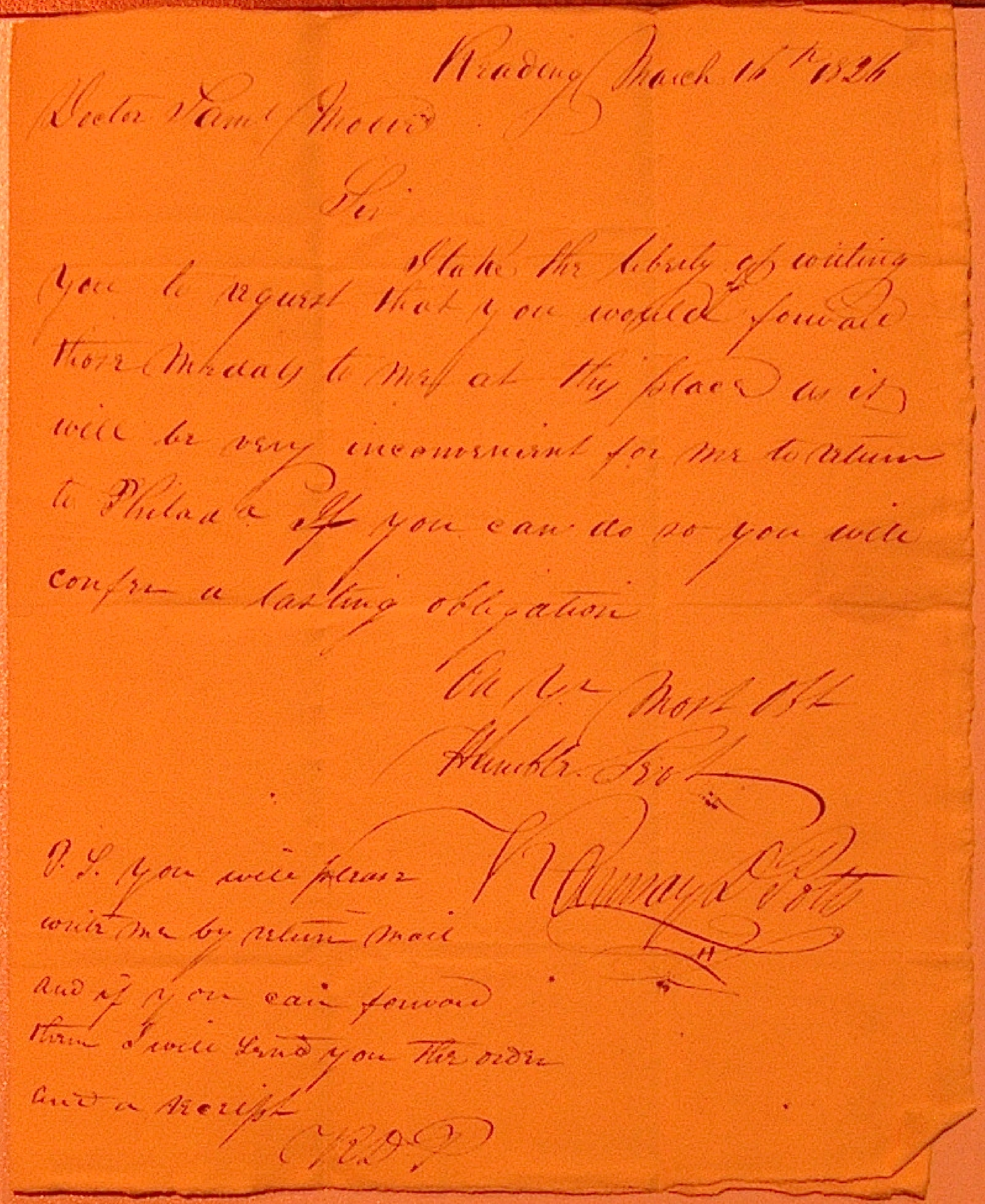
marked and numbered as in the Margin, and to be delivered in the like good Order and Condition, (the Dangers and Accidents of the Seas and of Navigation, of whatsoever kind, excepted) at the aforesaid Port of Philadelphia unto

Saml. Moore Esq

or to his Assigns, on payment of the Freight, Forty Shillings British Sterling per Ton of Forty Cubic Feet, and Five per Cent. Primage with Average accustomed, at the Par of Exchange.

In witness whereof I subscribe four Bills of Lading, of this Tenor and Date, one of which being accomplished, the rest to be void. *Liverpool*, 7th April 1826

James Terrell



Reading March 16th 1826

Doctor Saml Moore

Sir

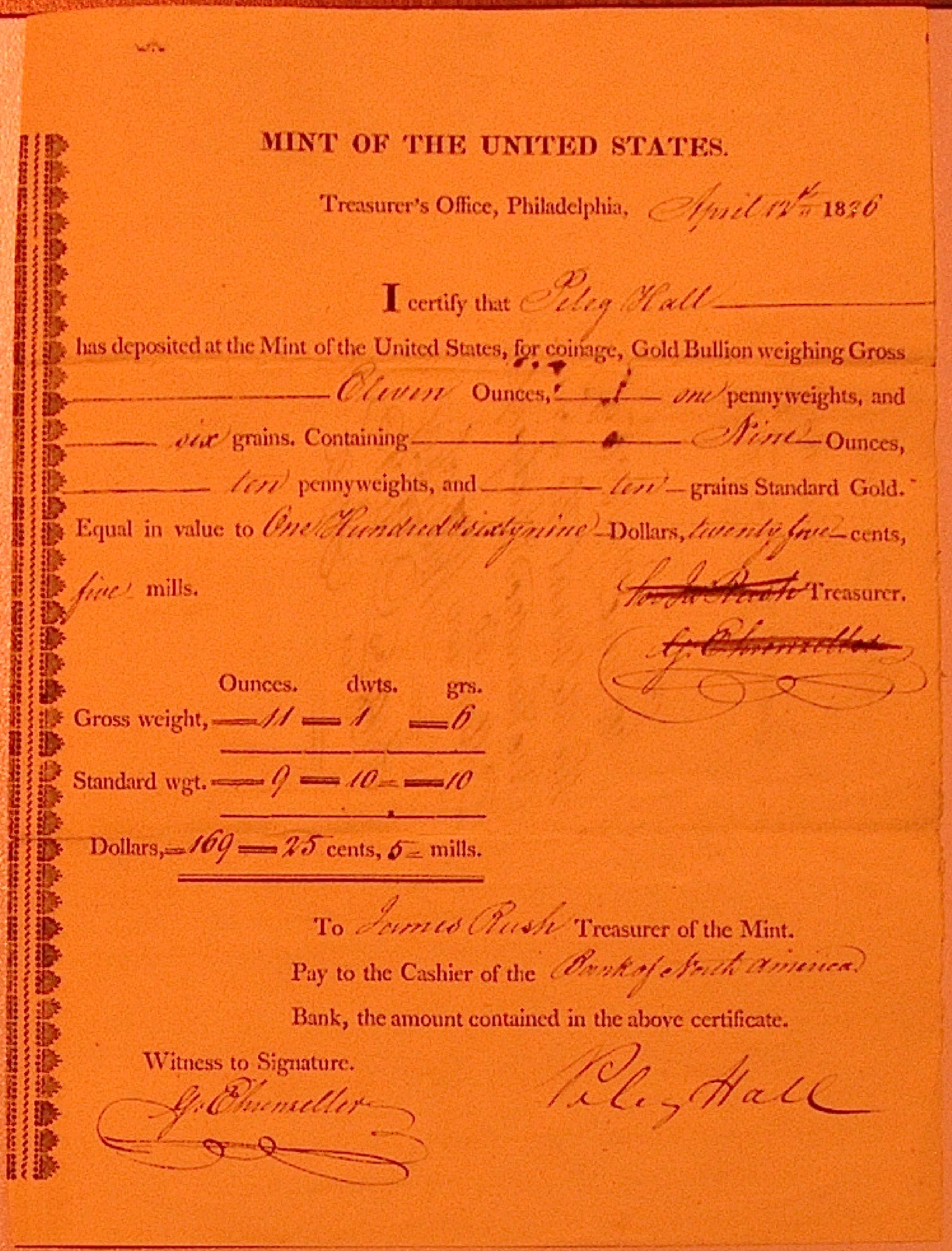
I take the liberty of writing you to request that you would forward those Medals to me at this place as it will be very inconvenient for me to return to Philada If you can do so you will confer a lasting obligation

Yr Vy Most Obt
Humble Servt

Ramsay D Potts

P. S. you will please write me by return mail and if you can forward them I will send you the order and a receipt

RDP



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, April 12th 1836

I certify that Peleg Hall has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross Eleven Ounces, one pennyweights, and six grains. Containing Nine Ounces, ten pennyweights, and ten grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to One Hundred & sixty nine Dollars, twenty five cents, five mills.

~~for Jas Rush~~ Treasurer.
~~G. Ehrenzeller~~

	Ounces.	dwts.	grs.
Gross weight,	11	1	6
Standard wgt.	9	10	10

Dollars, 169 — 25 cents, 5 mills.

To James Rush Treasurer of the Mint.
Pay to the Cashier of the Bank of North America
Bank, the amount contained in the above certificate.

Witness to Signature.
G. Ehrenzeller

Peleg Hall

Gold Bullion

Dollars 169.25½
deduct for refining .65½
D. 168.60

Recd June 27, 1826 of
the US Mint the above
One hundred & sixty eight
Dollars 60/100 Wm McKay

$168 60/100

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, Apr. 14th 1826

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 8936 *on the Bank of the United States, for dollars,* 86.78 *the amount of Warrant, No.* 130 *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury,* ~~on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an early acknowledgment, specifying the sum received.~~

With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

T. T. Tucker

Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esq

Treasurer, Mint —

L. No. 35
to Hon. [illegible]
April 18 1826

Philada April 18. 1826

Dear Sir

Until very recently it has not been convenient on account of the indisposition of Mr Cloud and subsequently of one of the principal Melters to attend to the examination of the remaining specimen of your copper ore. It has now been done in the manner I [illegible] wished. This portion of your ore yields 3 1/10 per cent of copper from an average sample of the mass which was all pounded together. A specimen of the Metal is inclosed.

The question whether such an ore can be advantageously worked, on which you desired me to offer an opinion, is not easily determined without an actual trial of a large quantity by a proficient in such operations. In general it may be remarked that copper Mines wrought at the ordinary charge of labour in this country have not been profitable. Those which have hitherto been attempted in the United States I believe have been abandoned. Unless a recent ~~[illegible]~~ attempt by a New York House to work one of the Jersey Mines ~~[illegible]~~ may ~~have~~ be an exception. ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible] of specimens and [illegible] it was [illegible]~~ ~~I am not easy~~ On this subject I presume Govr Dickerson of the Senate can give useful information, if not either he or the Secretary of the Navy can introduce you to Judge Kinsey of Patterson to whom probably the subject is familiar & who would cheerfully reply to your enquiries. ~~respecting it~~

In Rees's Encyclopedia under the articles Mining and Copper interesting details will be found on the subject of Copper Mines, from which I think it is apparent ~~[illegible]~~ that with all the aids of science, experience, perfect machinery and cheap labour ~~[illegible]~~ the Copper Mines in England in general yield but little profit on the capital originally invested in them. The works which treat most fully of the processes used in the various Mines in Europe are ~~[illegible]~~ Jars's ~~[illegible]~~ Voyages Metallurgiques, and ~~[illegible]~~ Schlutter's ~~[illegible]~~ Metallurgy of which there is a French translation ~~[illegible]~~. These works are of high authority and may probably be found in the ~~[illegible]~~ library of Congress. The ~~standard work of~~ ~~[illegible]~~ Cramer on assaying gives those processes also but in the small way only.

The established varieties of copper ore are given in Cleaveland's Treatise on Mineralogy and Geology page 553 — That variety to which your specimens belong is the green carbonate of copper called Malachite. Mr Bland by whom the examination of it has been made, and whose opinion is very valuable on these subjects observes that this ore of copper is among the easiest to reduce, and yields a metal more free from impurities than that derived from the ores most generally worked. I must not omit however to add that he expresses a doubt whether this variety is to be found in such abundance as to afford the material for extensive works.

If ~~[illegible]~~ the indications of its abundance are satisfactory you will probably think it advisable to hazard so much on the experiment as to have a trial made in the large way under the direction of a practical artist acquainted with the smelting of copper. A judicious practical artist is worth more ~~than~~ than all the Books written. The expense per Ton of raising the ore, separating it from the masses of extraneous ~~[illegible]~~ substances connected with it, and smelting it in a suitable furnace, would thus be ascertained in a manner which might lead to safe conclusions.

~~[illegible]~~ artist as I am informed, Mr Henry West, is now employed at Baltimore probably by Mr. Ellicott, ~~probably~~ ~~[illegible]~~, in refining copper from the imported cakes. His proper business in England I understand was smelting copper ores. The House of Hart, I believe of New York made the recent attempt to work one of the Mines of New Jersey & Paul Revere and Son of or near Boston have been not long since engaged in the refining of Copper. From either of those quarters perhaps useful information may be obtained in procuring a competent artist if one is not to be found in Baltimore.

You will perceive that Cleaveland reports the carbonate of copper alluded to as containing about 70 per cent of the Oxide of copper ~~[illegible]~~ the black oxide, in metallic state contains by chemical analysis ~~[illegible]~~ of its weight of ~~[illegible]~~ 56 per cent ~~[illegible]~~ metallic copper ~~[illegible]~~ to that Malachite ~~[illegible]~~ contains of copper ~~[illegible]~~ that this ~~is~~ 56 per cent of the weight ~~[illegible]~~ It must be observed ~~[illegible]~~ is ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ the proportion when the ore has first been detached from ~~all~~ ~~[illegible]~~ all extraneous matters, whereas your specimens were tried as for your purpose they should be, on an average of the mass as raised from the Mine. Your ore separated from all other substances would, I presume, ~~[illegible]~~ yield about 56 per cent of copper — then mixed with that proportion of extraneous

~~[illegible]~~ Matters Resumed in your last Sample, it gave ~~[illegible]~~ as before reported 20 per cent ~~[illegible]~~ and ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ mixed with that proportion ~~[illegible]~~ found in the inferior sample, it gives as above 8 1/10 per cent.

It may be proper to remark ~~[illegible]~~ that no useful inference can be derived from comparing the per cent [illegible] with the per centage exhibited by [illegible] yielded by the copper ores of other Mines, ~~compared~~ with yours, without knowing the precise ~~[illegible]~~ character and state of preparation of those ores when weighed — unweighed as for the purpose intended, it ought to be along with the stony and earthy matter mixed with it from the Mine. It is Your ore ~~[illegible]~~ is among the easiest to reduce to metal, & yields an good copper — the practical enquiry is, can it be ~~[illegible]~~ so cheaply raised & taken in abundance that with the facilities for working presented by its locality, the market price of cake copper will remunerate you.

The price of importation cake copper which we receive chiefly from S. America in this market ~~[illegible]~~ varies from 15 to 22 cents — the last sale I am informed was 21 — Yours by its quality would probably rank with the best in the Market. ~~with the price quote and as you would [illegible] without immediately [illegible]~~ be inclined to raise ~~the [illegible] and refining~~ The price of cake copper I ~~[illegible] suppose~~ suppose would be ~~the point~~ adopted as the basis of an estimate ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ otherwise as to the propriety ~~of the thing~~ working your ~~[illegible]~~ ores.

I have offered the above ~~[illegible]~~ remarks because ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ you seemed to wish for such suggestions as ~~[illegible]~~ might occur to me, though I am sensible that ~~[illegible]~~ I ~~[illegible]~~ may have said nothing which is not familiar to you, ~~[illegible]~~ or which may in ~~[illegible]~~ any degree aid you in ~~making~~ a safe decision. It would give me real pleasure to do so ~~[illegible]~~ ~~if in my power~~. ~~if in my power~~ —

Yours very respectfully

3/4 303

Birmingham, 16th March 1836

Invoice of Thirty Casks of Copper Planchets, purchased on account and risk of Saml. Moore Esqr. Director of the Mint, at Philadelphia, and consigned to the care of Messrs. T & I D Thornely Liverpool

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33	3 . 1 . 27 .	13 .	3 . 1 . 14
34	3 . 1 . 20 . 8	13 . 8	3 . 1 . 7
35	3 . 2 . 13 .	13 .	3 . 2 .
36	3 . 1 . 26 . 12	12 . 12	3 . 1 . 14
37	3 . 1 . 19 .	12 .	3 . 1 . 7
38	3 . 1 . 20 .	13 .	3 . 1 . 7
39	3 . 1 . 12 . 8	12 . 8	3 . 1 .
40	3 . 1 . 13 . 4	13 . 4	3 . 1 .
41	3 . 1 . 20 . 8	13 . 8	3 . 1 . 7
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48	3 . 1 . 26 . 8	12 . 8	3 . 1 . 14
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56	3 . 1 . 11 . 8	11 . 8	3 . 1 .
57	3 . 2 . 4 .	11 .	3 . 1 . 21
58	3 . 1 . 26 .	12 .	3 . 1 . 14
59	3 . 1 . 26 .	12 .	3 . 1 . 14
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	Brought forward	97 . 3 . 7							
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61	3 . 3 . 12 .	12 .	3 . 3 .						
			99 . 3 . 14 nett [illegible]	780	10	9½			
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	Export Duty on £ 796 . 0 . 0 @ 10/ %			3	19	7			
	Policy & Bills of Lading 3/6			2	17	6			
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	Dock & Town Dues			.	16	6			
	Commission forwarding 5/-	Postages 4/6		4	8	6	26	13	8
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Errors Excepted

Wm Harrold & Son

Birmingham 16th March 1826

Saml. Moore Esqre.

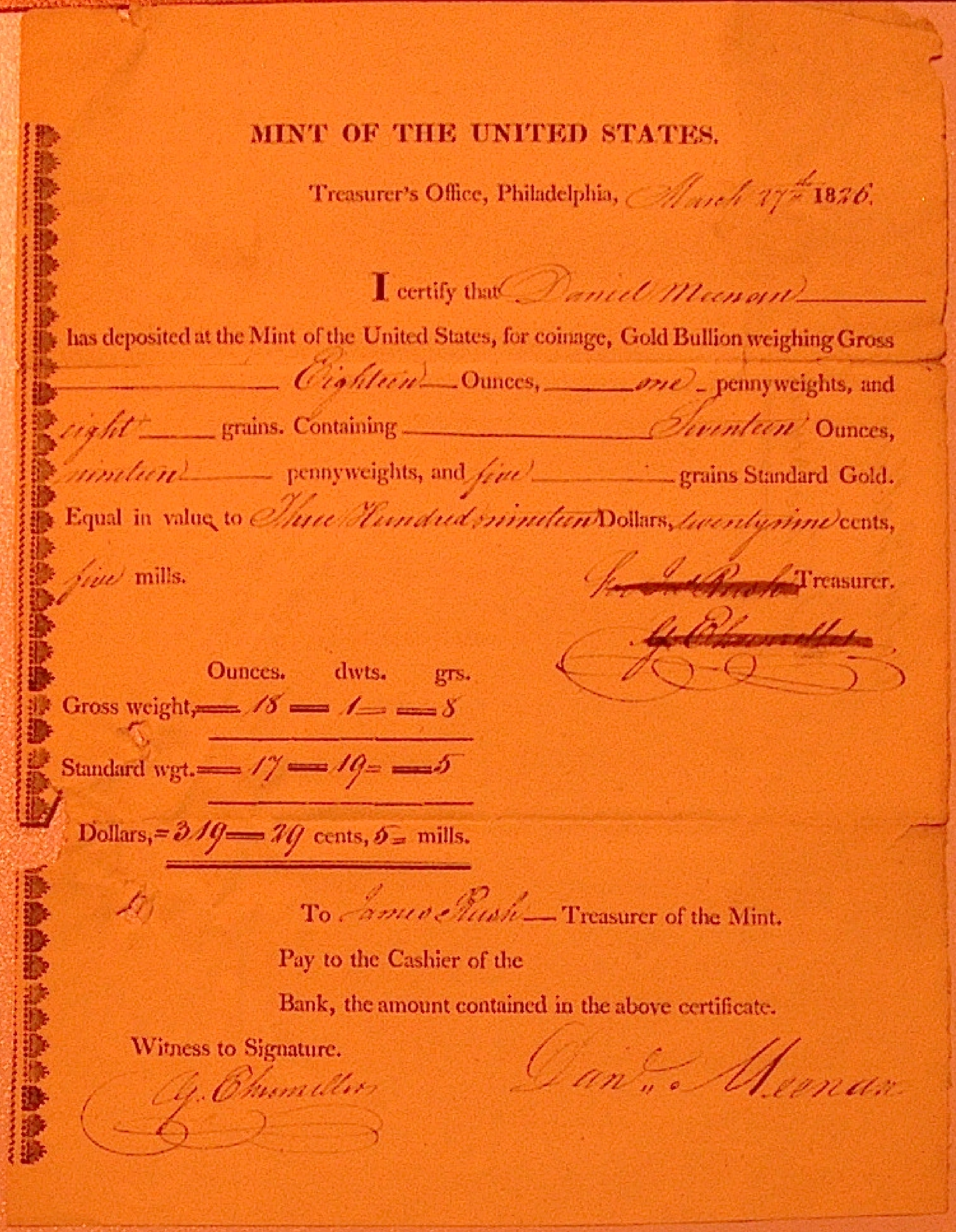
Sir

Having now completed your esteemed order for Planchets, exactly to your instructions, viz as early as possible and on the best terms we could; we have only to say that we are confident they never were sent better by us either as regards, colour, excellence of Metal, or exactness of weight & finish, & we trust when you come to examine them minutely you will be induced to continue to us your valued favours.

We are Sir

Your truly obliged & Obedient Servants

Wm Harrold & Son



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, *March 17th* 1826.

I certify that *Daniel Meenan*
has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross *Eighteen* Ounces, *one* pennyweights, and *eight* grains. Containing *Seventeen* Ounces, *nineteen* pennyweights, and *five* grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to *Three Hundred nineteen* Dollars, *twentynine* cents, *five* mills.

~~Jas. Rush~~ Treasurer.

~~G. Chmeller~~

	Ounces.	dwts.	grs.
Gross weight,	18	1	8
Standard wgt.	17	19	5

Dollars, 319 — 29 cents, 5 mills.

To *James Rush* Treasurer of the Mint.

Pay to the Cashier of the

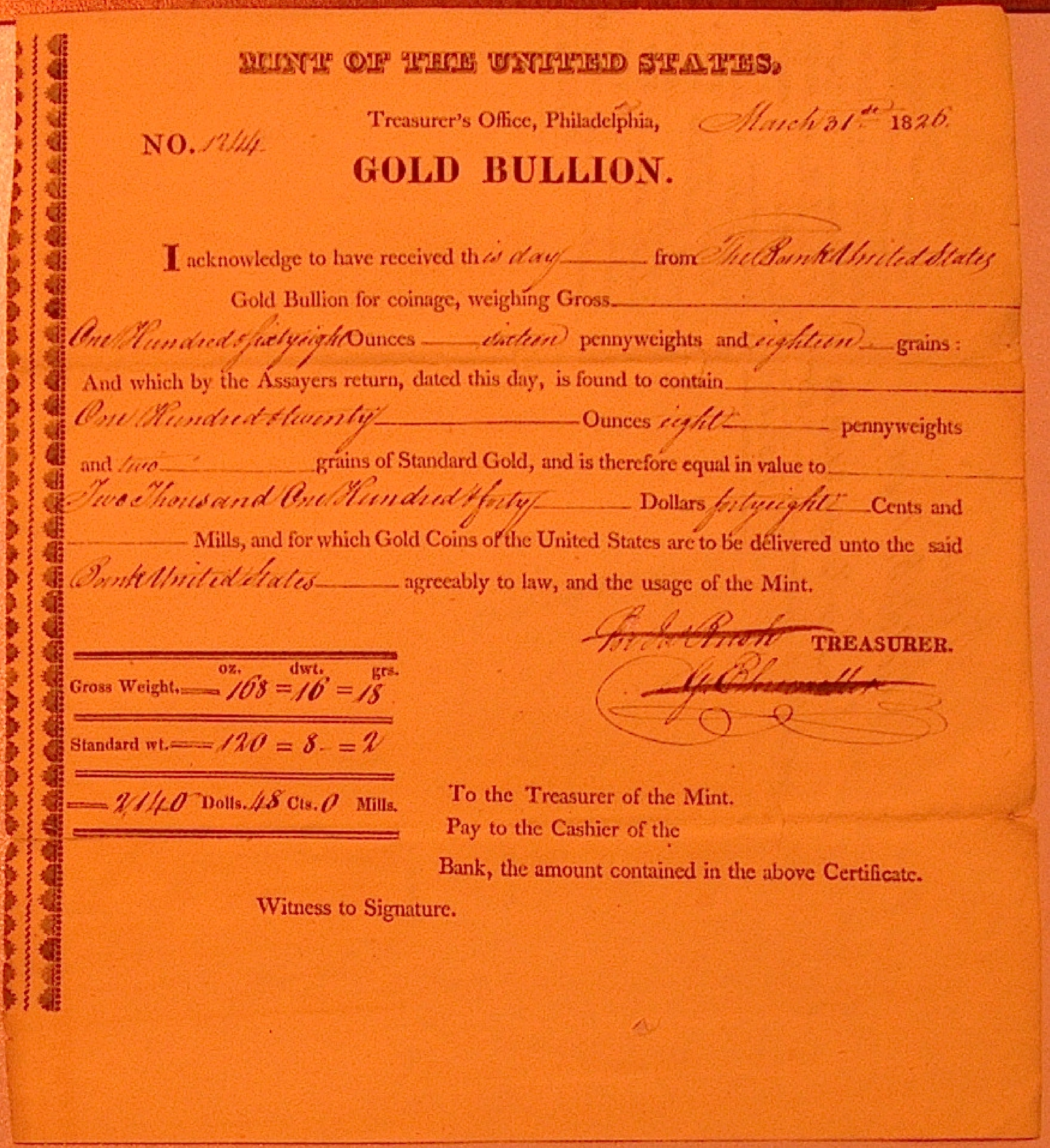
Bank, the amount contained in the above certificate.

Witness to Signature.

G. Chmeller

Danl. Meenan

Gold Bullion
Dollars 319.29½



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, *March 31st 1826*

NO. *1244*

GOLD BULLION.

I acknowledge to have received th*is day* from *The Bank United States* Gold Bullion for coinage, weighing Gross *One Hundred & sixtyeight* Ounces *sixteen* pennyweights and *eighteen* grains: And which by the Assayers return, dated this day, is found to contain *One Hundred & twenty* Ounces *eight* pennyweights and *two* grains of Standard Gold, and is therefore equal in value to *Two Thousand One Hundred & forty* Dollars *fortyeight* Cents and ____ Mills, and for which Gold Coins of the United States are to be delivered unto the said *Bank United States* agreeably to law, and the usage of the Mint.

~~Jas. Rush~~ TREASURER.

	oz.	dwt.	grs.
Gross Weight	168	16	18
Standard wt.	120	8	2

2140 Dolls. 48 Cts. 0 Mills.

To the Treasurer of the Mint.
Pay to the Cashier of the
Bank, the amount contained in the above Certificate.

Witness to Signature.

John Evans	247.–
Francis Halle	122.40
J. H. Conine Jr ✓	134.08½ ✓
Peter Gaudichaud	168.66½
Charles Stevenson	24.30
W. Wile	77.40
J. J. Cohen for Brothers	114.22
Oliver Parker	134.40
Jacob Stockman	87.40
Joseph Trulke	225.70
J. H. Conine Jr ✓	122.70 ✓
Emerson McMains	97.88½
James Black	110.51½
Henry Humphreys	87.80
Jacob Stockman	98.30
Daniel Mecnon ✓	319.29½ ✓
	Dlls 2,132.64½

No 1244

Gold Bullion

Dollars = 2140.48

deduct for refining 7.83½

Dlls 2132.64½

1371.24

761.40

2132.64

Copy

Received March 24th, 1826 from Mr. Adam Eckfeldt, Chief Coiner of the Mint of the United States, one hundred Silver Medals, of President Adams; viz, twenty five of the largest size, forty of the middle size, and thirty five of the smallest size, conformably to an order of T. L. McKenney Esqr. Superintendent of Indian affairs, dated at Washington March 1826 —

25 Indian Medals 1st size —
40 " " 2 "
35 " " 3 "
100 Indian Medals

Signed Ramsay D. Potts

Mint of the U. States
Philada March 24. 1826

Sir

Herewith I forward the receipt of Mr. R. D. Potts for 100 medals delivered to him this day. I retain a duplicate rect. on the order presented by him.

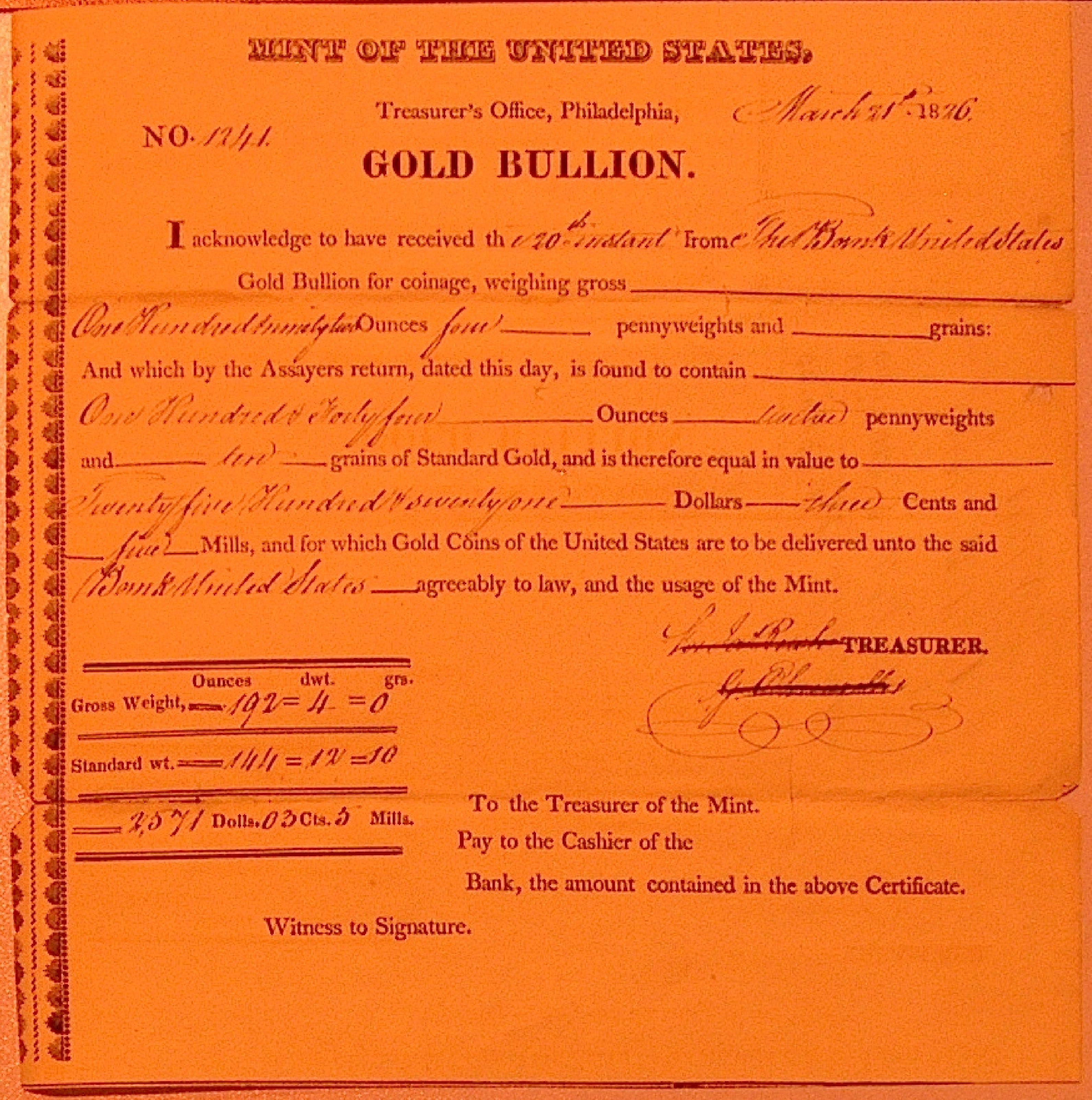
Accept also Sir my thanks for your attention in forwarding to me the document relative to the Indians. The phenomenon of an alphabet devised by a native Indian is remarkable and interesting as are the facts and views you present of the actual condition of these hapless people. I feel and have long felt deeply concerned for them and am grateful in my very soul to ~~all~~ those who devote the influence & authority of ~~public~~ elevated

-tration to mitigate those wrongs from which they can not be ~~[illegible]~~ exempted, and to attract towards them the sympathy they ~~[illegible]~~ claim so justly. Within the limits of the established States the tide of events must soon overwhelm them. I see nothing that their friends can recommend with a promise of lasting benefit to them but their removal & establt beyond the Mississippi. All the just & benevolent ~~[illegible]~~ works of the Federal Government in their behalf, by which I think the present and the ~~past~~ late Administration have been ~~[illegible]~~ equally distinguished, can not ~~[illegible]~~ I apprehend long defer ~~or control~~ their mournful destiny by any other measure.

With respect & esteem

Yours &c

Saml. Moore



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, March 21st 1826.

NO. 1241.

GOLD BULLION.

I acknowledge to have received the 20th instant from The Bank United States Gold Bullion for coinage, weighing gross One Hundred ninety two Ounces four pennyweights and grains: And which by the Assayers return, dated this day, is found to contain One Hundred & Forty four Ounces twelve pennyweights and ten grains of Standard Gold, and is therefore equal in value to Twenty five Hundred & seventy one Dollars three Cents and five Mills, and for which Gold Coins of the United States are to be delivered unto the said Bank United States agreeably to law, and the usage of the Mint.

TREASURER.

	Ounces	dwt.	grs.
Gross Weight,	192	4	0
Standard wt.	144	12	10

2571 Dolls. 03 Cts. 5 Mills.

To the Treasurer of the Mint.

Pay to the Cashier of the

Bank, the amount contained in the above Certificate.

Witness to Signature.

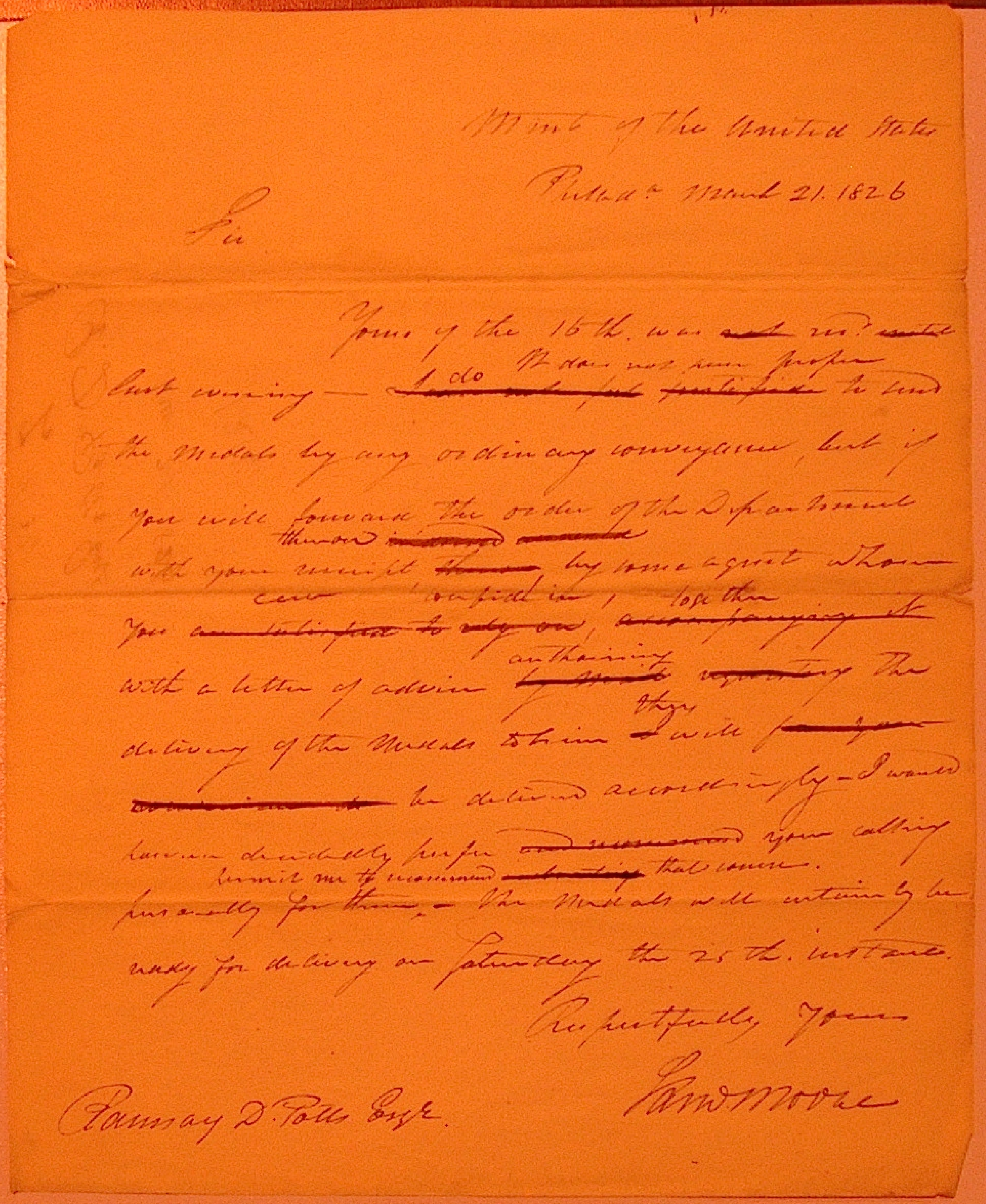
No 1241

Gold Bullion

Dollars — 2571.03½

deduct for refining — 7.68½

D. 2563.35



Mint of the United States

Philad.a March 21. 1826

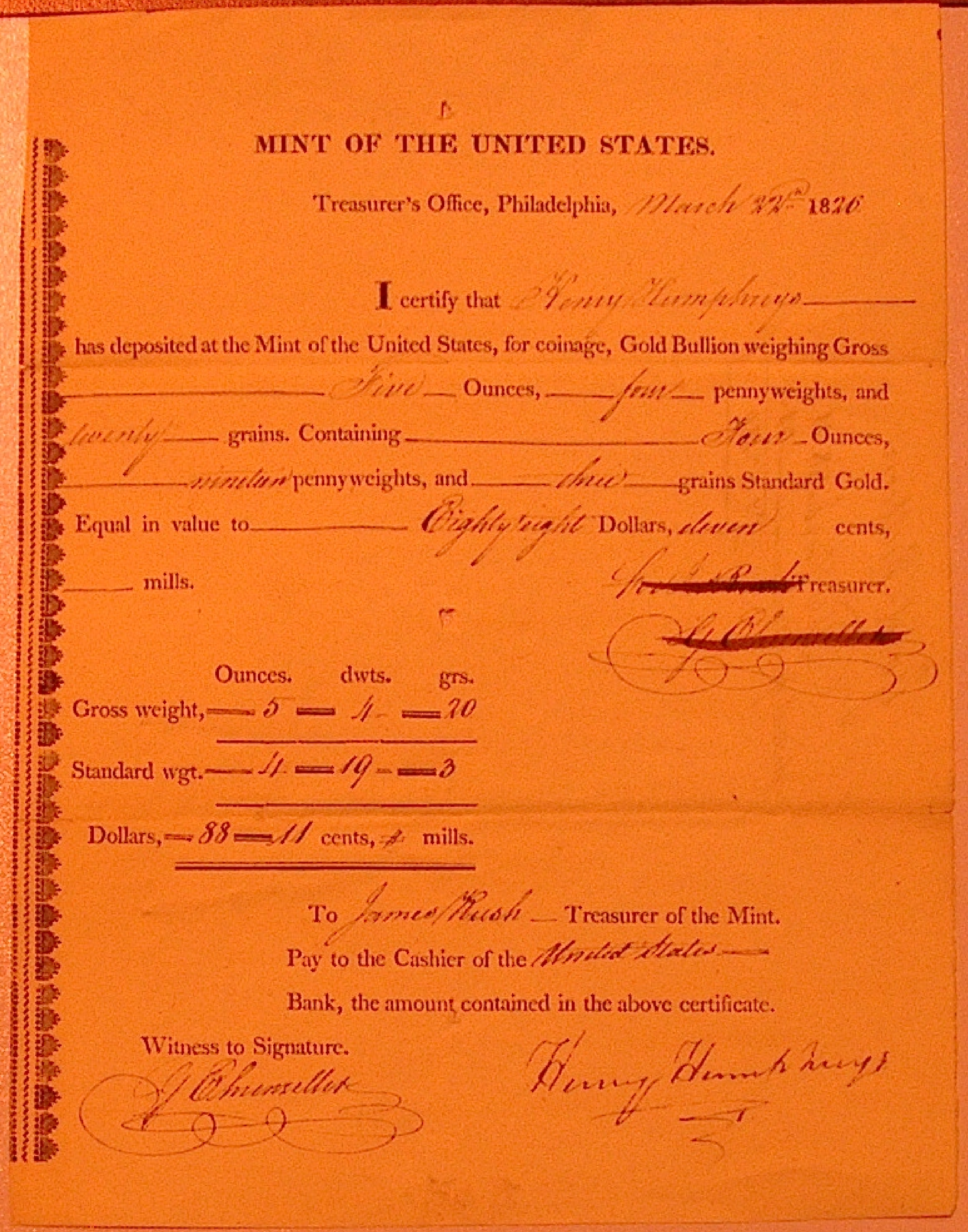
Sir

Yours of the 16th. was ~~not~~ rec.d ~~until~~ last evening — ~~I do not think it~~ It does not seem proper ~~justifiable~~ to send the Medals by any ordinary conveyance, but if you will forward the order of the Department thereon ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ with your receipt ~~thereon~~ by some agent whom you ~~are satisfied to rely on~~ can confide in, ~~accompanying it~~ together with a letter of advice ~~[illegible]~~ authorizing ~~requesting~~ the delivery of the Medals to him ~~I will~~ they will ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ be delivered accordingly — I would however decidedly prefer ~~[illegible]~~ your calling personally for them, — permit me to recommend ~~adopting~~ that course. — The Medals will certainly be ready for delivery on Saturday the 25th. instant.

Respectfully Yours

Saml Moore

Ramsay D. Potts Esqr.



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, March 22nd 1826

I certify that Henry Humphreys has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross Five Ounces, four pennyweights, and twenty grains. Containing Four Ounces, nineteen pennyweights, and three grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to Eighty eight Dollars, eleven cents, mills.

~~Jas. Rush~~ Treasurer.

~~J Chevellier~~

	Ounces.	dwts.	grs.
Gross weight,	5	4	20
Standard wgt.	4	19	3

Dollars, 88 — 11 cents, 4 mills.

To James Rush Treasurer of the Mint.

Pay to the Cashier of the United States Bank, the amount contained in the above certificate.

Witness to Signature.

J Chevellier

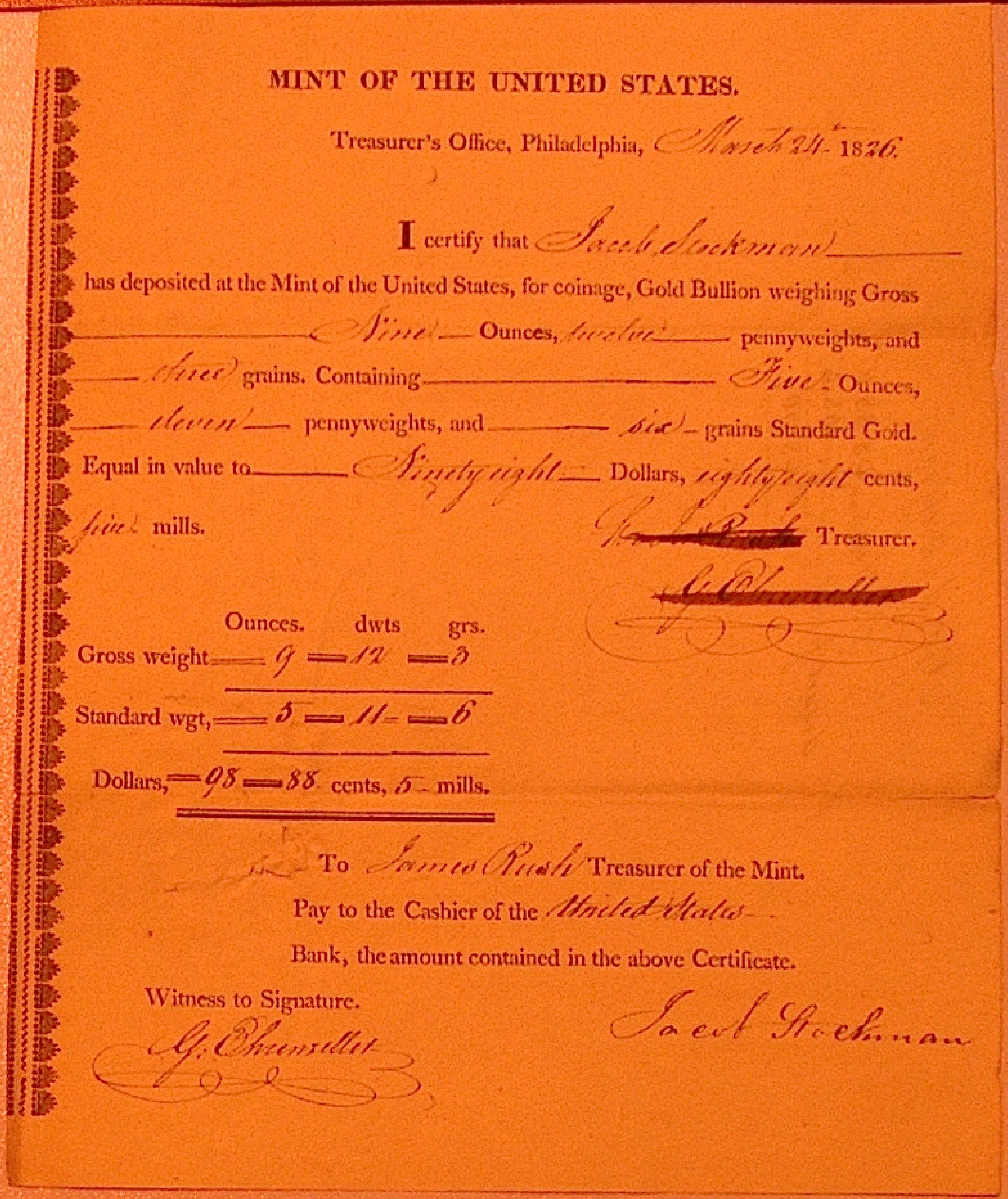
Henry Humphreys

Gold Bullion

Dollars = 88.11

deduct for refining .31

D^s 87.80



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, March 24th 1826.

I certify that Jacob Steckman has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross Nine Ounces, twelve pennyweights, and three grains. Containing Five Ounces, eleven pennyweights, and six grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to Ninetyeight Dollars, eightyeight cents, five mills.

~~J. Rush~~ Treasurer.

~~G. Ehrenzeller~~

	Ounces.	dwts	grs.
Gross weight	9	12	3
Standard wgt,	5	11	6

Dollars, 98 — 88 cents, 5 mills.

To James Rush Treasurer of the Mint.

Pay to the Cashier of the United States Bank, the amount contained in the above Certificate.

Witness to Signature.

G. Ehrenzeller

Jacob Steckman

Gold Bullion

Dollars — 98.88.5

deduct for refining — .58.5

Ds 98.30

Department of War
Off. Ind. Affairs
March 18th 1826

To
Saml. Moore Esq

Dear Sir

I enclose you part of a document relating to the civilization of the Indians. The Secretary's report was printed first, by mistake, of the committee, and not both together — and I have none of the copies. It appeared in the News-papers.

Very truly
Y. ob. Sert
Tho. L. McKenney

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, March 18th 1826.

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 8884 *on the Bank of the United States, for dollars,* 250 = 32 *the amount of Warrant, No.* 225 *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury,* ~~*on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an early acknowledgment, specifying the sum received*~~.

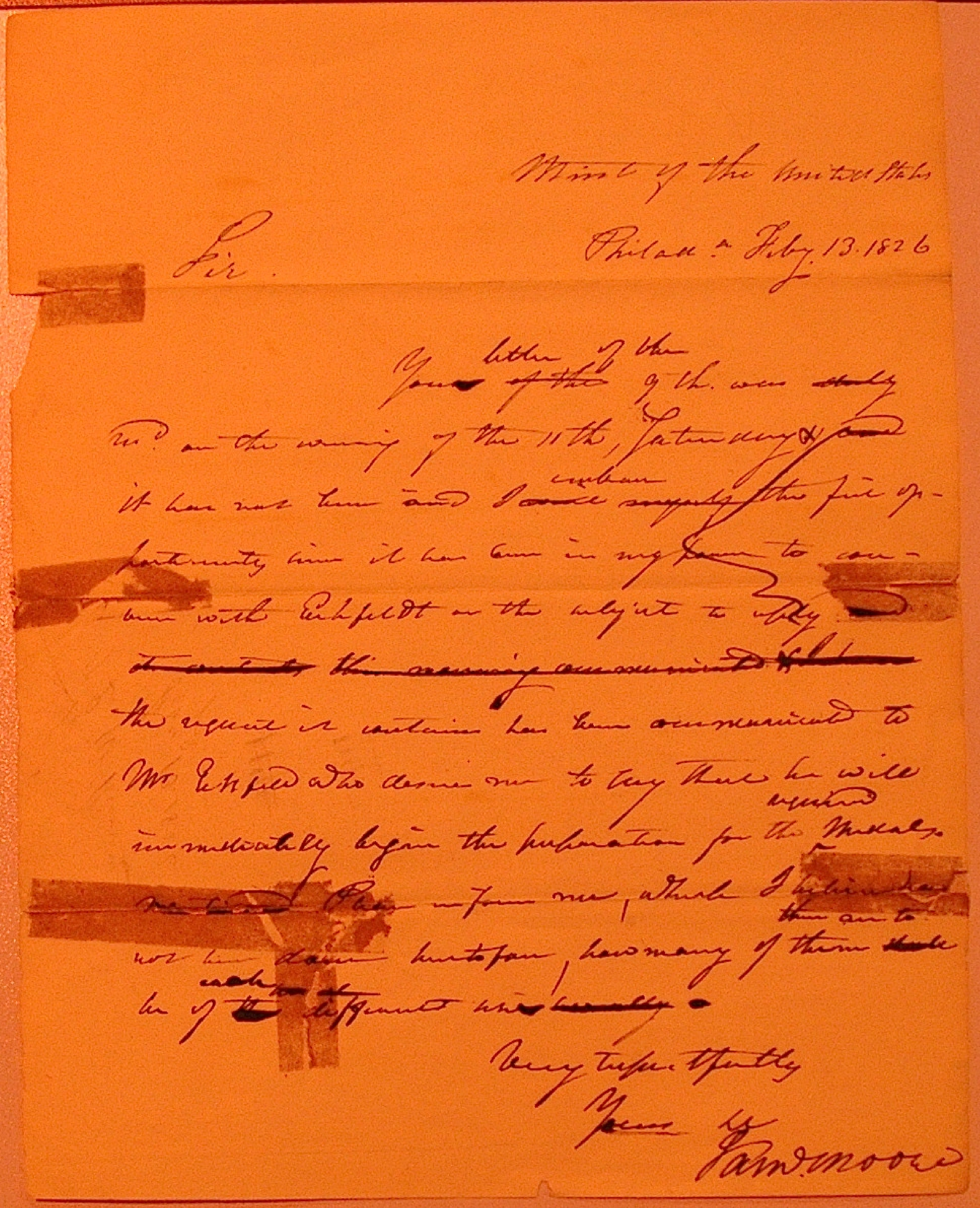
With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

Th. T. Tucker

Treasurer of the United States,

James Rush Esqr.



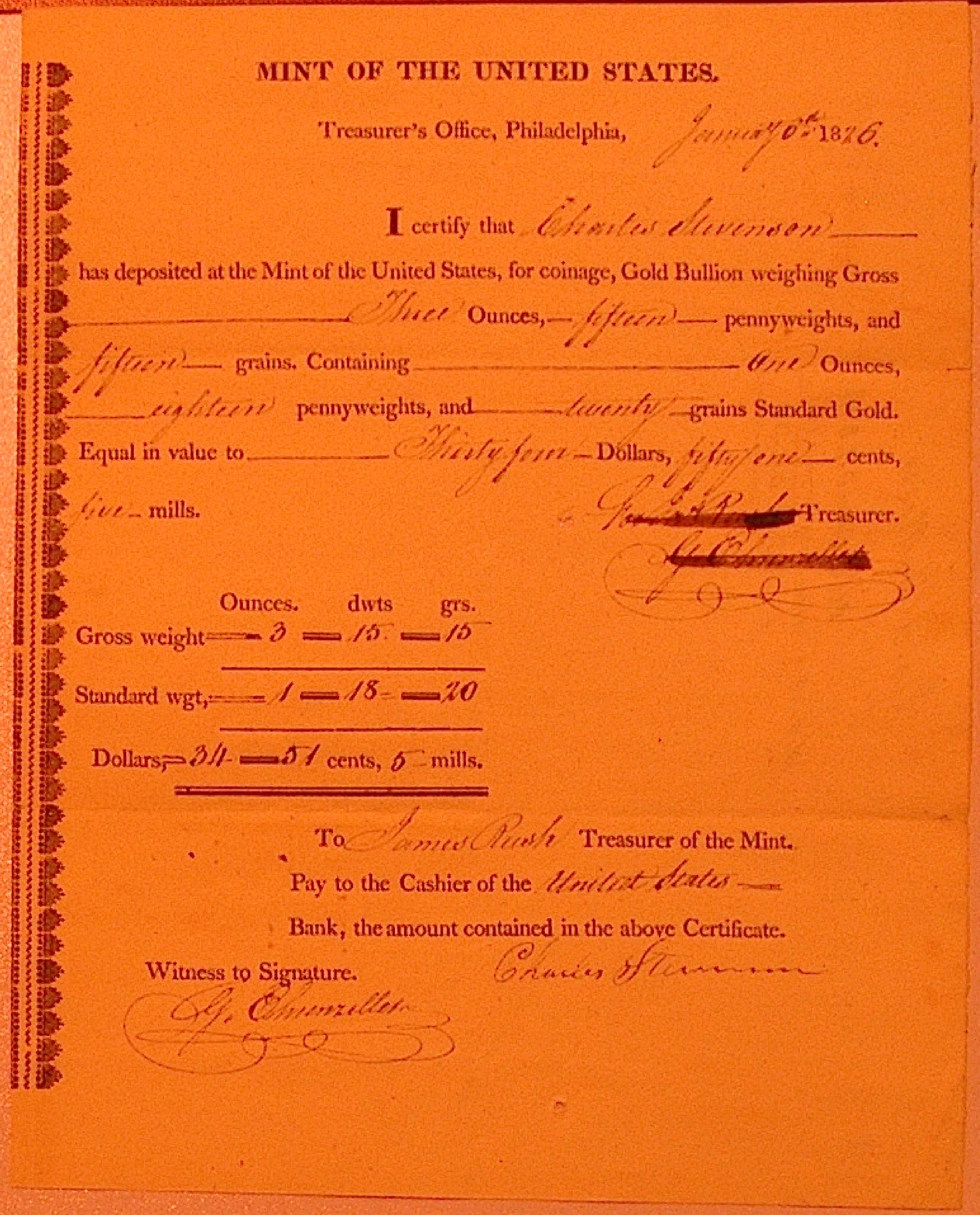
Mint of the United States

Philad.a Feby. 13. 1826

Sir.

Your ~~of the~~ letter of the 9th. was ~~duly~~ rec.d on the evening of the 11th, Saturday & ~~and~~ it has not been ~~and I could~~ until ~~supply~~ the first opportunity since it has been in my power to confer with Eckfeldt on the subject to reply. ~~at once to the annexing announcement of the~~ The request it contains has been communicated to Mr Eckfeldt who desires me to say that he will immediately begin the preparation for the required Medals. ~~[illegible]~~ Please inform me, which I believe has not been done heretofore, how many of them there are to ~~be~~ be of each of ~~the~~ different size ~~usually~~.

Very respectfully
Yours &c
Saml. Moore



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, Jany 6th 1826.

I certify that Charles Stevenson has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross Three Ounces, fifteen pennyweights, and fifteen grains. Containing One Ounces, eighteen pennyweights, and twenty grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to Thirty four Dollars, fifty one cents, five mills.

Treasurer.

	Ounces.	dwts	grs.
Gross weight	3	15	15
Standard wgt,	1	18	20

Dollars, 34 — 51 cents, 5 mills.

To James Rush Treasurer of the Mint.

Pay to the Cashier of the United States Bank, the amount contained in the above Certificate.

Witness to Signature.

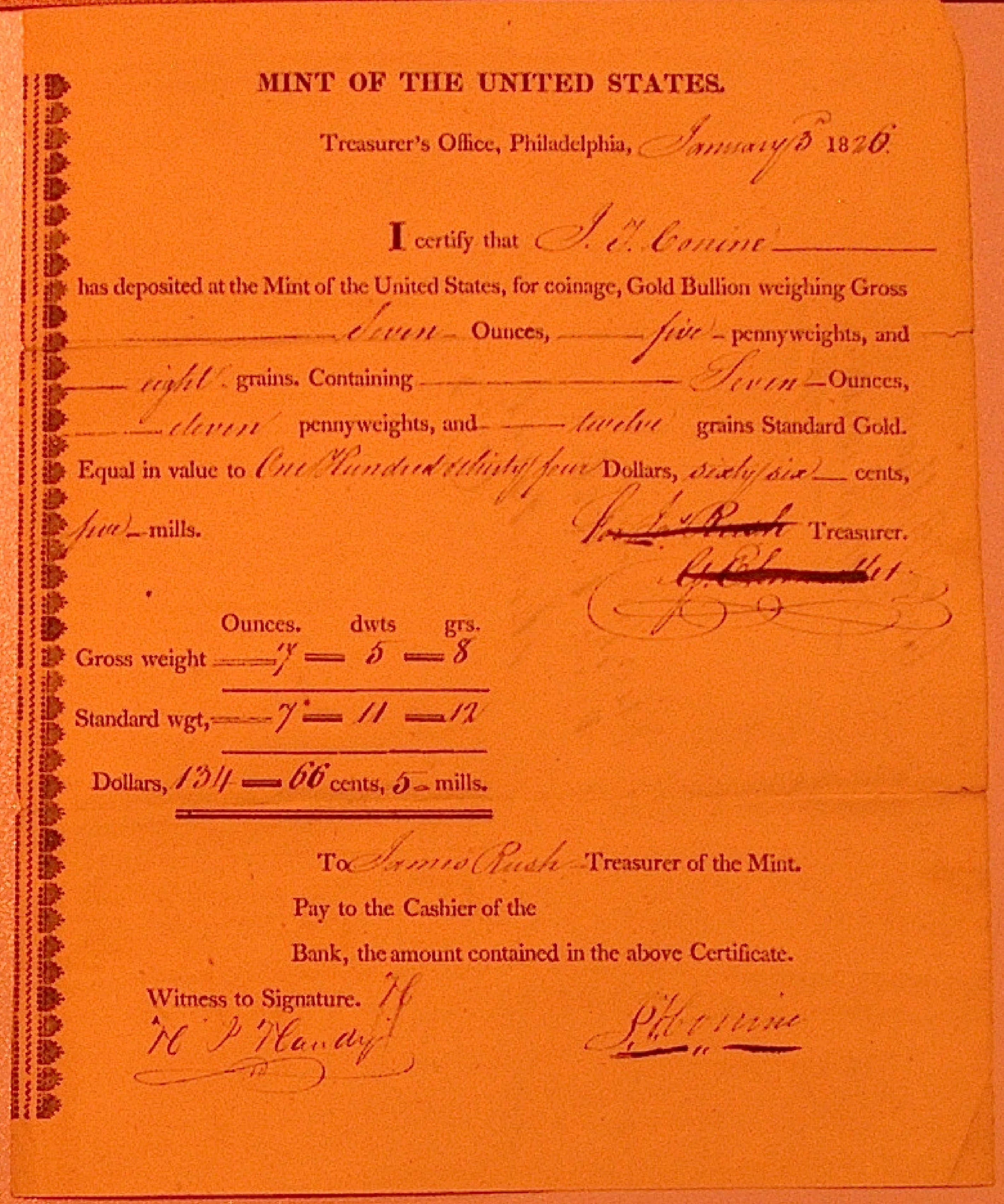
Charles Stevenson

Gold Bullion

Dollars = 34.51¼

deduct for refining — .21¼

Ds 34.30



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, January 5 1826.

I certify that J. E. Conine

has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross Seven Ounces, five pennyweights, and eight grains. Containing Seven Ounces, eleven pennyweights, and twelve grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to One Hundred & thirty four Dollars, sixty six cents, five mills.

Pr J. Rush Treasurer.
[illegible]

	Ounces.	dwts	grs.
Gross weight	7	5	8
Standard wgt,	7	11	12

Dollars, 134 — 66 cents, 5 mills.

To James Rush Treasurer of the Mint.

Pay to the Cashier of the

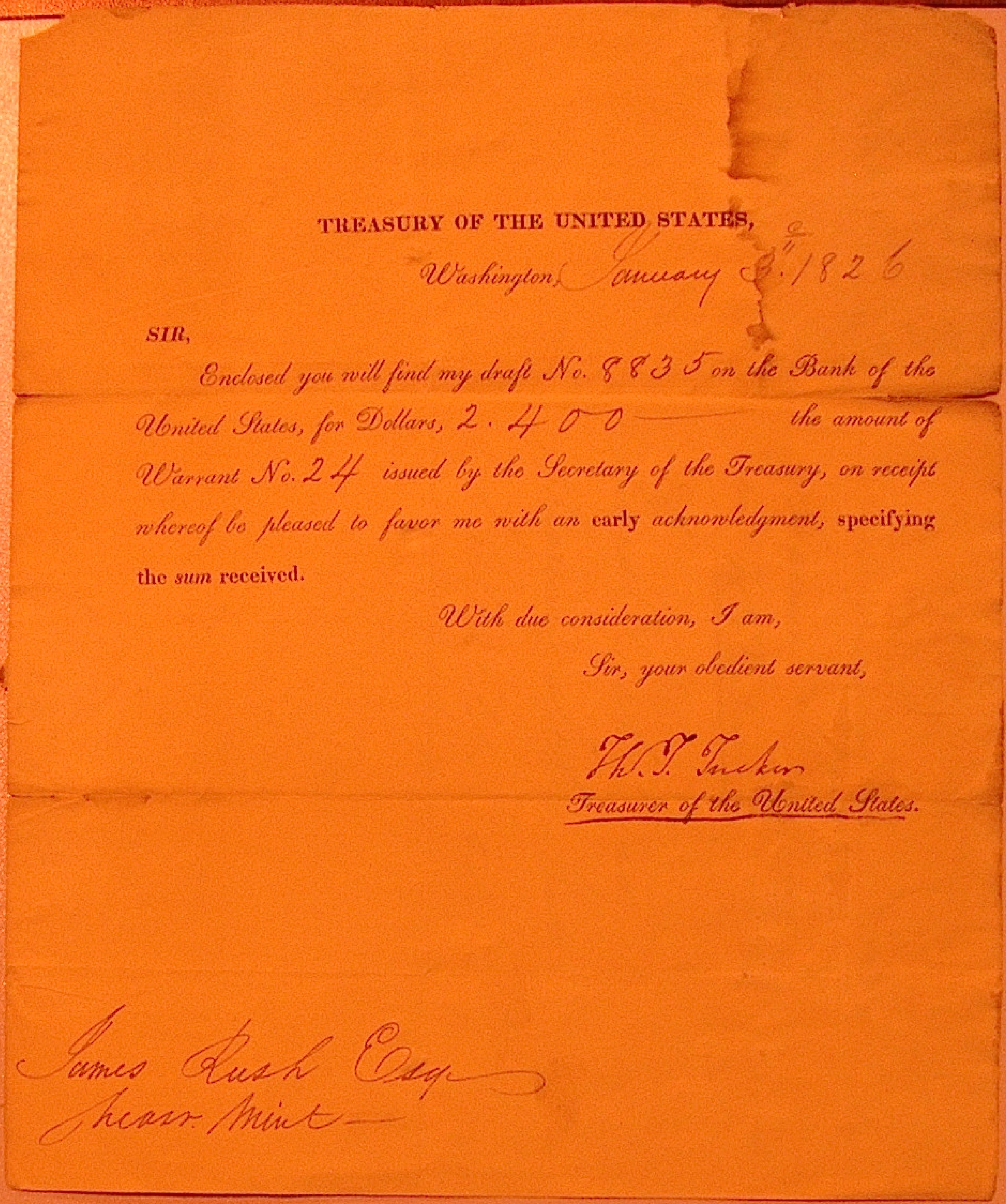
Bank, the amount contained in the above Certificate.

Witness to Signature.
H P Handy

J. E. Conine

Gold Bullion
Dollars - 134.66½

Rec'd payment
April 1. 1826
Henry Field
Cash.



TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, January 3d. 1826

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 8835 *on the Bank of the United States, for Dollars,* 2.400 *the amount of Warrant No.* 24 *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an* early *acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

Th. T. Tucker

Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esqr

Treasr. Mint

Gold Coins	Denominations	date most frequent	earliest date noticed	latest date noticed	fineness per assay	curr.t value per piece of medium weight	Remarks
G. Britain	Sovereign						none in circulation
	Guinea	1798	1772	1798	0.888	4.75	
	½ do.	1790	1787	1790	same	2.88	
	⅓ do.	1798	1798	1806	same	1.57	
France	Napoleon						none in circulation
	do. double						
	Louis	1786	1785	1792	0.873	4.27	
	do. double	1786	1760	1792		8.56	
	½ do.						none
Portugal	Joe						none
	½ do	1758	1735	1803	0.888	7.75	
	Moidore	. . .	1710	1790		6.25	very few in circulation
	½ do						
	Piece of 1600 Reas						none in circulation
	do 800 ..						
	Old Crusado 400 ..						
	New do. 480 ..						
Brazil	Mill Rea 1000 ..						
	Piece of 2000 ..						
	do. 4000 ..						
Spain	Doubloon before 1772						
	½ do.						
	¼ do. or Pistole ..						
	Doubloon since 1772	1799	1794	1799	0.84	14.56	very few in circulation
	do. .. 1800		1804	1819		14.56	
	½ do. ..	. . .	1798	1798		7.30	
	¼ do. or Pistole ..	. . . .	1785	1807		3.65	
	Gold doll.r or ½ Pistole ..						none

Gold Coins	Denomination	date most frequent	earliest date noticed	latest date noticed	rate per pennyweight	current value per piece of ordinary weight	Remarks
Mexico	Doubloon	1825	1824	1825	0.84	14.60	very few in circulation
	½ do.						none
	¼ do.						
Columbia	Doubloon		1823	1824	0.84	14.56	very few in circulation
	½ do.						None in circulation
	¼ do.						
Central Amer.ª	Doubloon						
	½ do.						
	¼ do.						
Peru	Doubloon						
	½ do.						
	¼ do						
Chili	Doubloon						
	½ do						
	¼ do.						
La Plata	Doubloon						
	½ do						
	¼ do.						

Silver Coins	Denominations	date most frequent	Earliest date noticed	Latest date noticed	—	Current value	
⊕ Spain	½ dollar	1790	1744	1816		.50	great variety in circulation
	¼ do	1781&2	1735	1821		.25	
	⅕ do	1788	1772	1820		.20	
	⅛ do	1782	1734	1821		.12½	
	1/16 do	1783	1742	1821		.6¼	

Silver Coins	Denominations	date most frequent	earliest date noticed	latest date noticed	current value	Remarks
G. Britain	Crown					None in circulation
	½ do.					
	Shilling					
	Sixpence					
France	Crown	1726	1726	1793	1.09	
	½ do.		1726	1756	50	much worn, dates generally illegible
	* 5 franc Napoleon	1811	1806	1815	93.3	
	5 do. Louis 18	1814	1814	1824		
	5 do. Charles 10.	. .	. . .	. .	. . .	None
Portugal	Old Crusado 400 Rs					None
	New do. 480 "					
	Pestoon 100 "					
Brazil	New Crusado 480 "					None
	Pataca 320 "					
	Piece of 640 "					
	do 150 "					
	do. 300 "					
	do. 600 "					
⊕ Spain	Pistareens	1721	1708	1771	17	great variety in circulation
	½ do.		1721	1756	10	dates generally illegible
	Dollar	1821	1764	1822	1.00	great variety in circulation
Mexico	do.	1825	1822	1826	1.00	
Columbia	do.					none
Cent.l Amer.ª	do.					none
Peru	do.			1825		very few in circulation
Chili	do.		1817	1820		do do
La Plata	do	. .				none
* France	5 franc Napoleon Emp. d'Italie	1811	1808	1813	93.3	
	5 do. do. 1st Consul	an 12	an 11	an 14		
	5 do. republique	an 8	an 4	an 11		

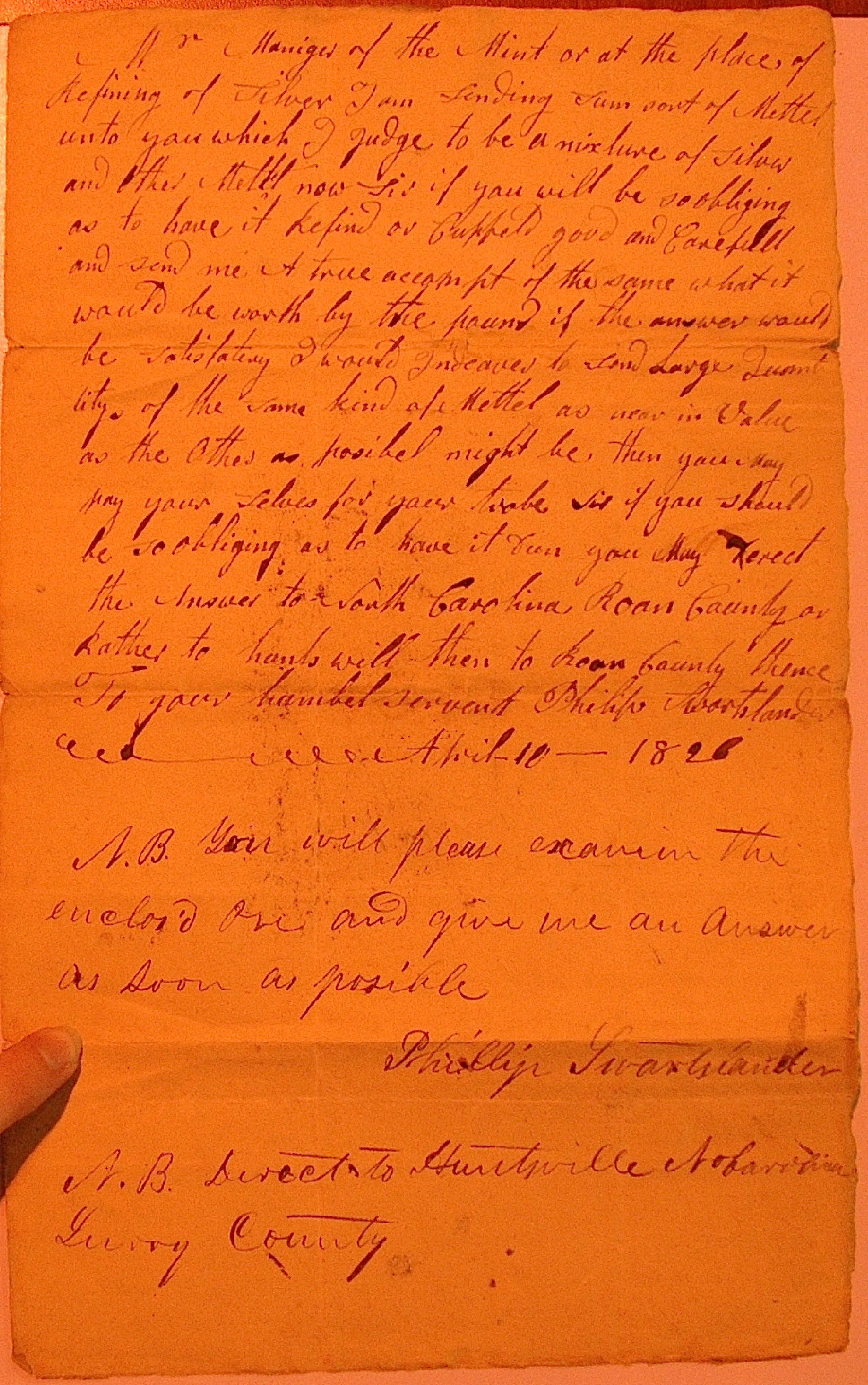
To
Doctr. Saml. Moore,
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia,

Department of War
Off: Ind: Affairs
8th. April 1826

D. Sir,

I received your letter of the 24th. Ulto., and am gratified at your concurrence in the views of the Department, in regard to the proposed plan of collocating our Indians. There is no doubt, it is the only barrier competent to arrest the tide, without which, it must sweep them all away.

I am,
Very Respectfully
Yr obedt. Servt.
Tho: L. McKenney

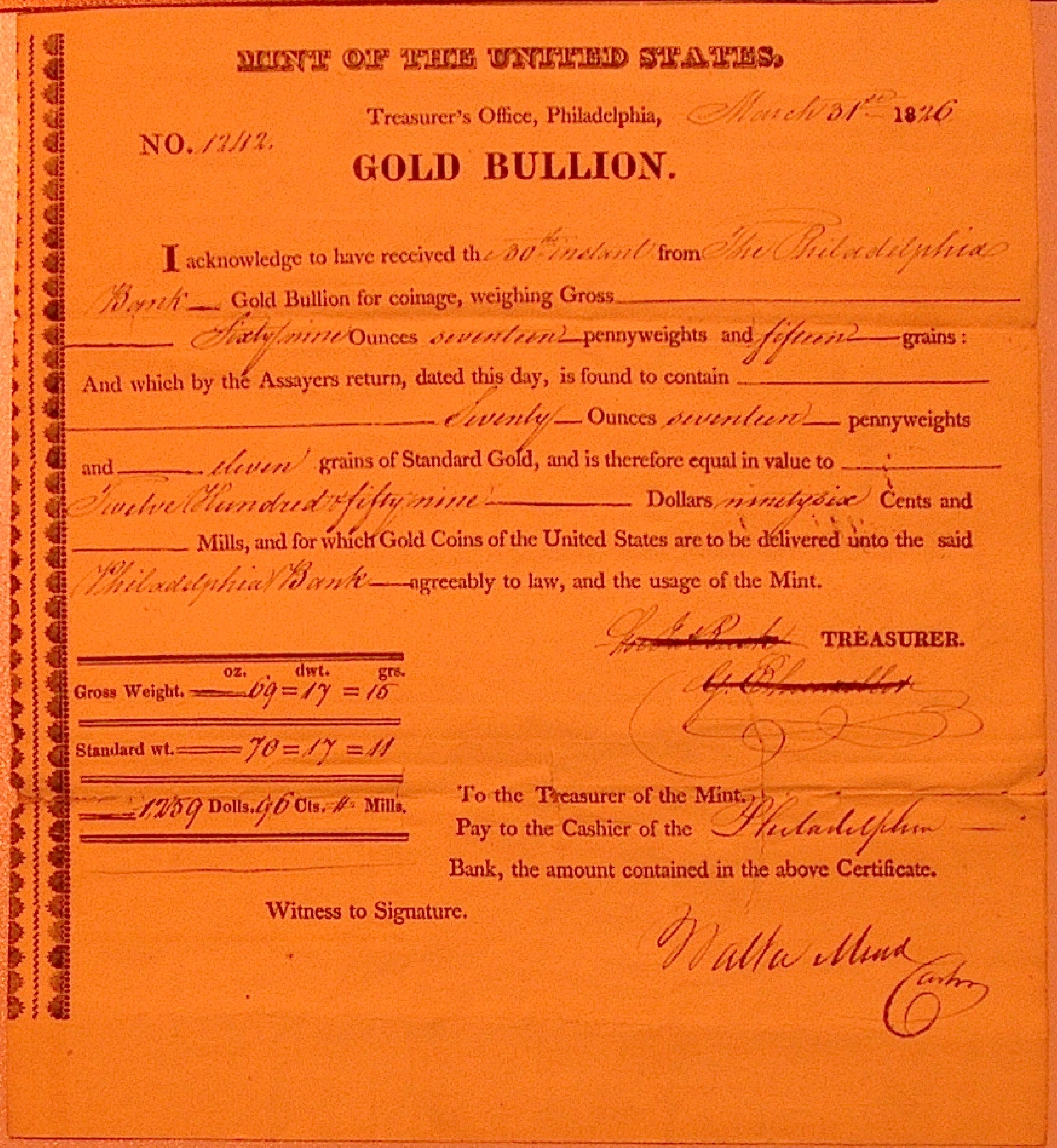


Mr Maniges of the Mint or at the place of
Refining of Silver I am Sending Sum sort of Mettel
unto you which I judge to be a mixture of Silvr
and Other Mettel now Sir if you will be so obliging
as to have it Refind or Cuppeld good and Carefull
and send me A true accompt of the same what it
would be worth by the pound if the answer would
be satisfatery I would Indeaver to send Large Quan-
tity of the same kind of Mettel as near in Value
as the Other as posibel might be then you may
pay your selves for your trabe Sir if you should
be so obliging as to have it Dun you may Derect
the Answer to South Carolina Roan County or
Rather to Hamps will then to Roan County thence
To your humbel servent Philip Swortslander
April 10 — 1826

N.B. You will please examin the
enclosd Ore and give me an Answer
as Soon as posible

Phillip Swartslander

N.B. Direct to Huntsville N Carolina
Surry County



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, March 31st 1826

NO. 1212.

GOLD BULLION.

I acknowledge to have received the 30th instant from The Philadelphia Bank Gold Bullion for coinage, weighing Gross Sixty nine Ounces seventeen pennyweights and fifteen grains: And which by the Assayers return, dated this day, is found to contain Seventy Ounces seventeen pennyweights and eleven grains of Standard Gold, and is therefore equal in value to Twelve Hundred & fifty nine Dollars ninety six Cents and Mills, and for which Gold Coins of the United States are to be delivered unto the said Philadelphia Bank agreeably to law, and the usage of the Mint.

TREASURER.

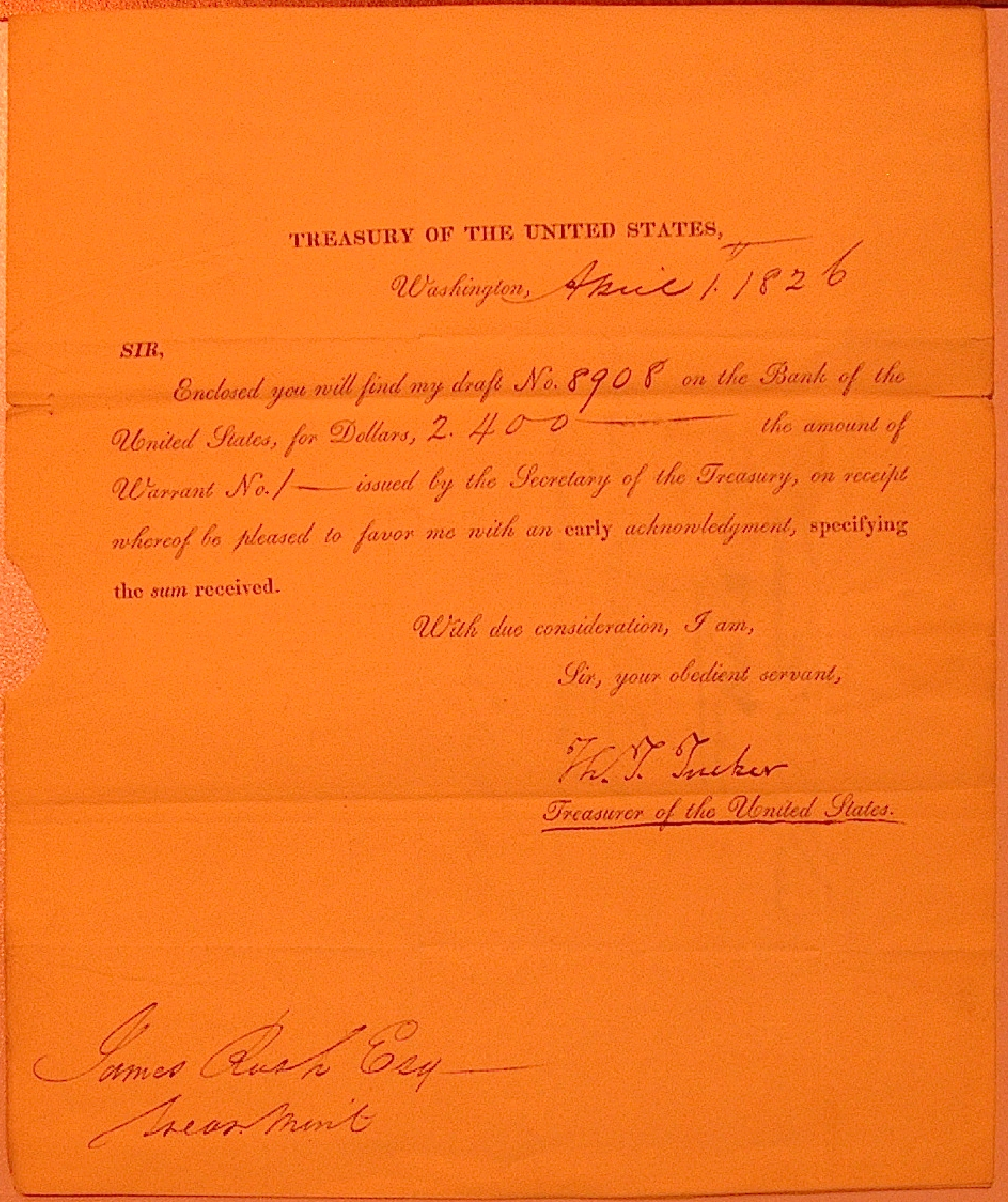
	oz.	dwt.	grs.
Gross Weight.	69	17	15
Standard wt.	70	17	11
	1259 Dolls.	96 Cts.	4 Mills.

To the Treasurer of the Mint.
Pay to the Cashier of the Philadelphia Bank, the amount contained in the above Certificate.

Witness to Signature.

Walter Mead Cashr

No 1242.
Gold Bullion
Dollars = 1259.96



TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, April 1. 1826

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 8908 *on the Bank of the United States, for Dollars,* 2.400 *the amount of Warrant No.* 1 *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an early acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am,

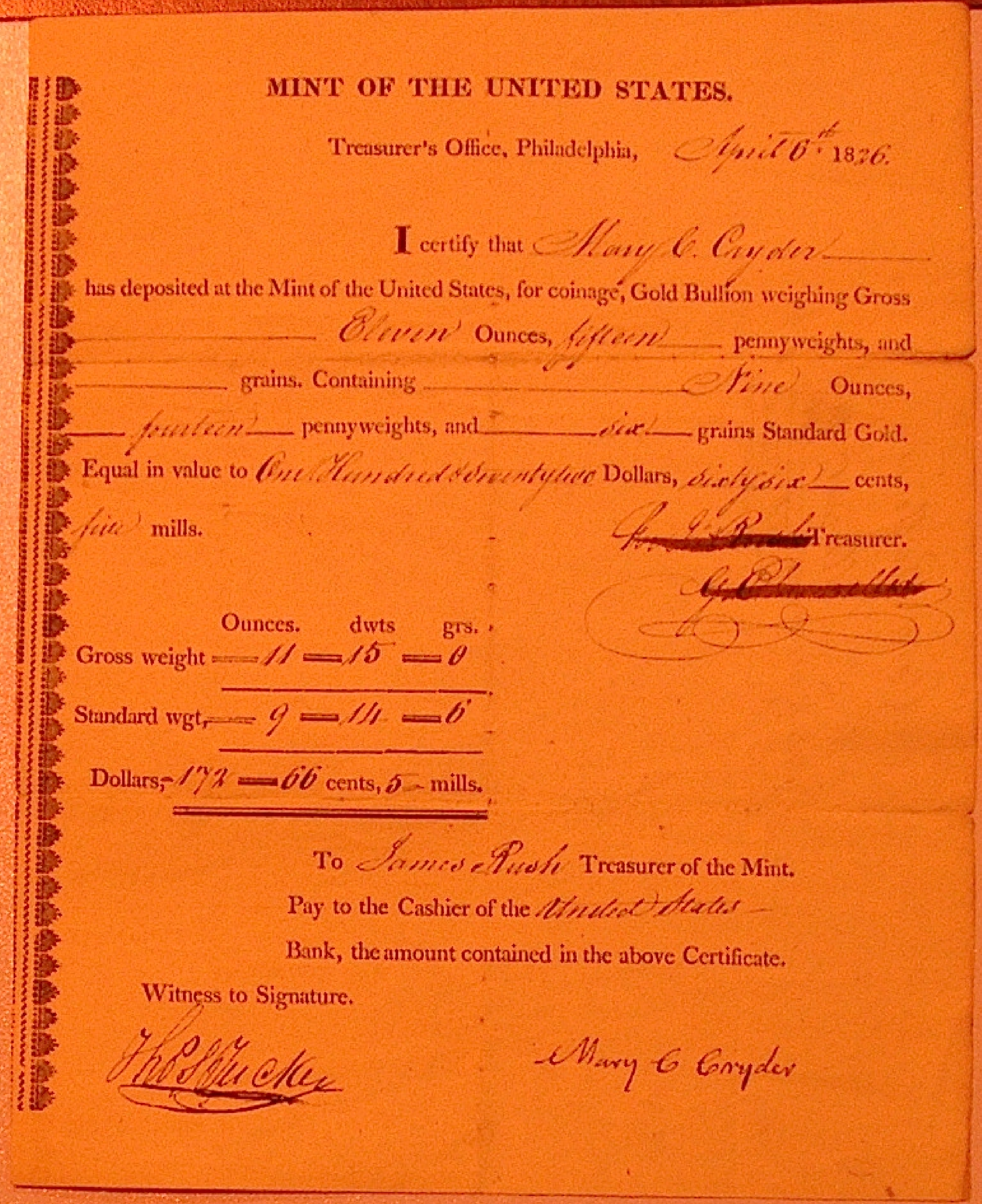
Sir, your obedient servant,

Th. T. Tucker

Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esq

Treas. Mint



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, April 6th 1826.

I certify that Mary C. Cryder has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross Eleven Ounces, fifteen pennyweights, and grains. Containing Nine Ounces, fourteen pennyweights, and six grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to One Hundred & Seventy two Dollars, sixty six cents, five mills.

Treasurer.

	Ounces.	dwts	grs.
Gross weight	11	15	0
Standard wgt,	9	14	6

Dollars, 172 — 66 cents, 5 mills.

To James Rush Treasurer of the Mint.

Pay to the Cashier of the United States Bank, the amount contained in the above Certificate.

Witness to Signature.

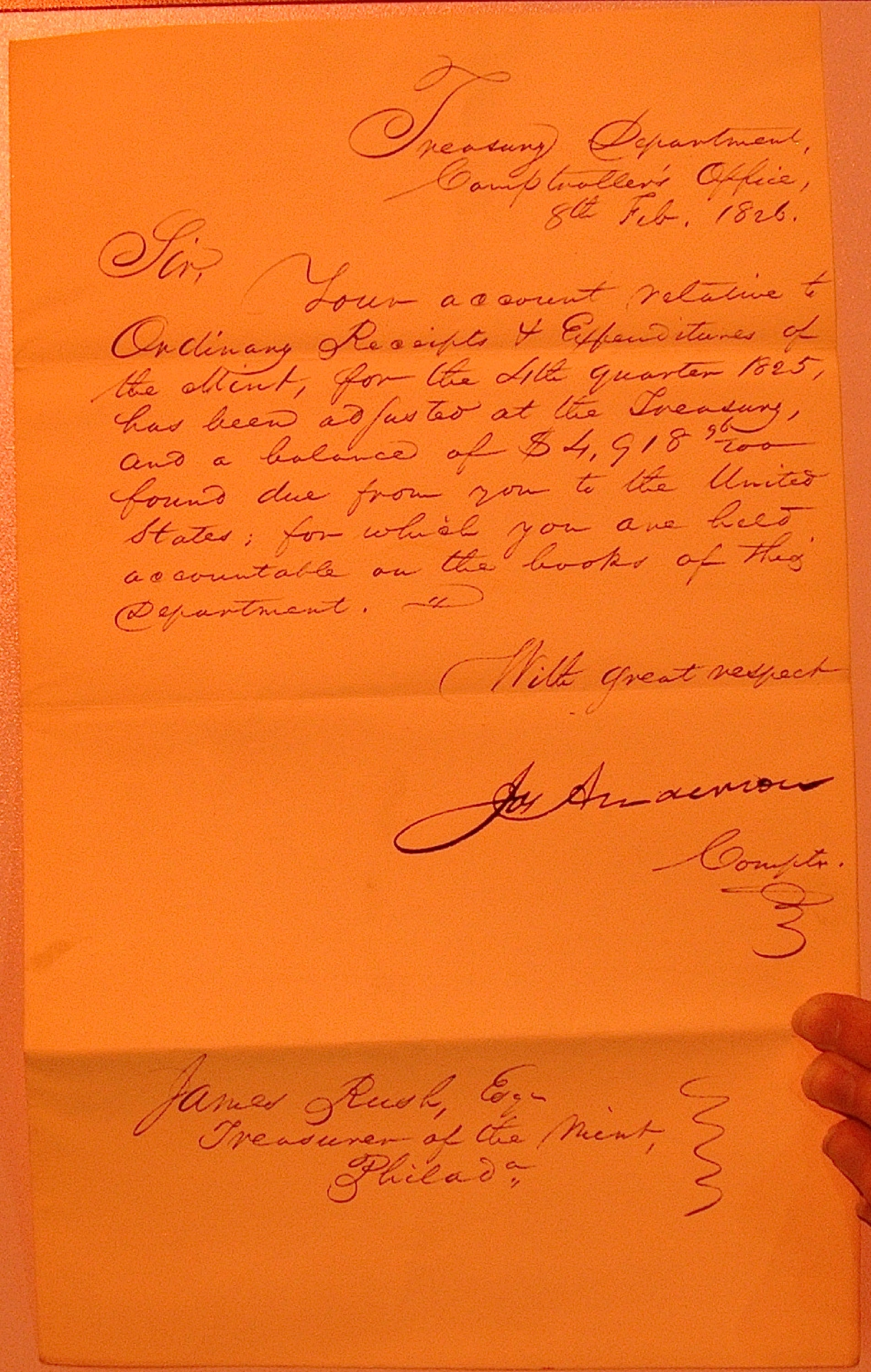
Mary C Cryder

Gold Bullion

Dollars = 172.66½

deduct for refining .66½

Ds 172.—



Treasury Department,
Comptroller's Office,
8th Feb. 1826.

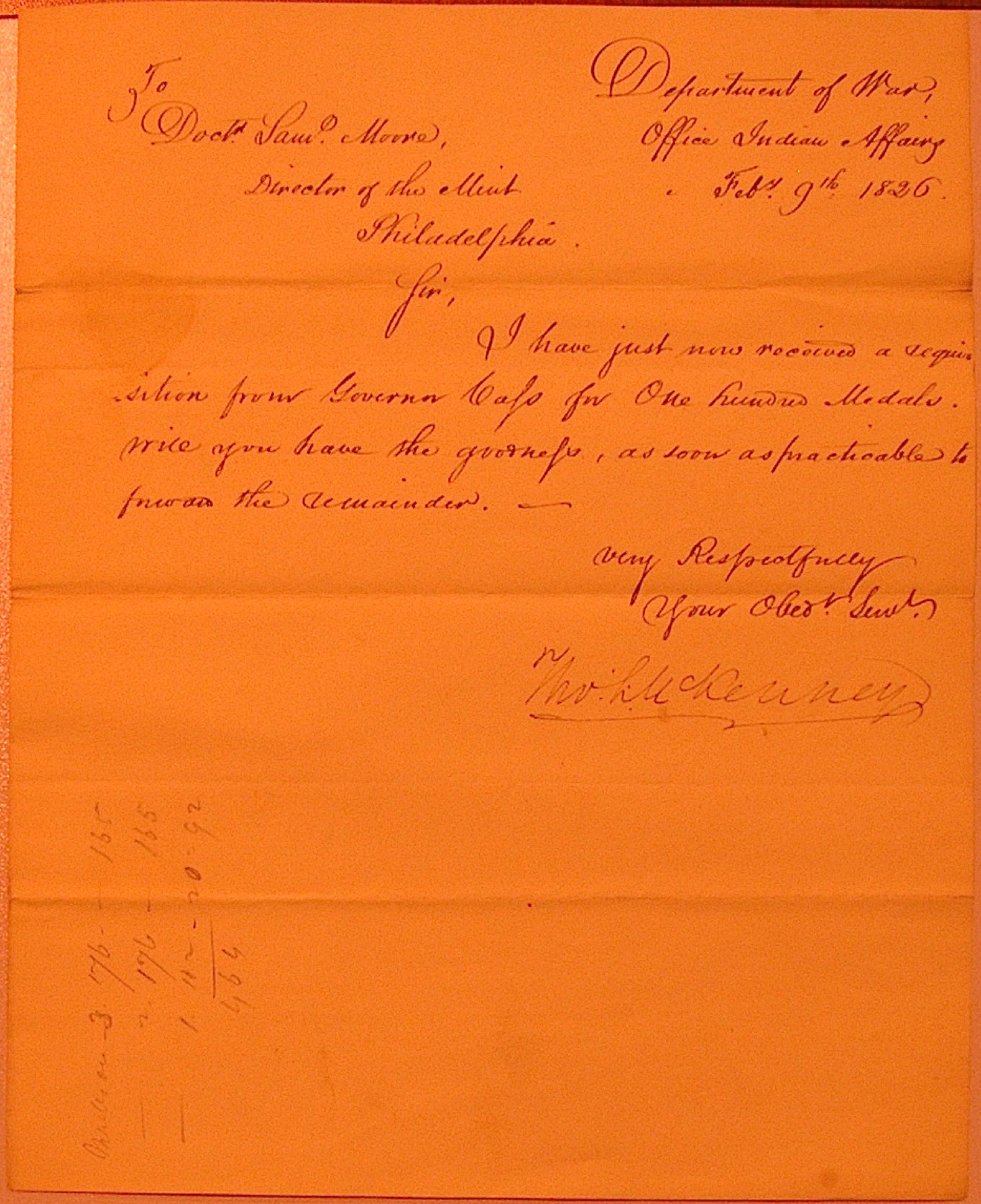
Sir,

Your account relative to Ordinary Receipts & Expenditures of the Mint, for the 4th quarter 1825, has been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $\$4,918\,^{96}/_{100}$ found due from you to the United States; for which you are held accountable on the books of this Department.

With great respect

Jos Anderson
Comptr.

James Rush, Esqr
Treasurer of the Mint,
Philada



Department of War,
Office Indian Affairs
Feby. 9th 1826.

To
Doctr. Saml. Moore,
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia.

Sir,

I have just now received a requisition from Governor Caſs for One hundred Medals. Will you have the goodneſs, as soon as practicable to forward the remainder. —

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt.

Tho: L. McKenney

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Treasury Department,
Comptroller's Office,
8th Feb. 1826.

Sir,

Your account in relation to Gold and Silver Bullion deposited at the Mint for Coinage, and for Coins made and paid, during the 4th quarter 1825, has been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 134,582.10 was found due to the United States; — which is to be accounted for on a future settlement; — arising as follows:

In the hands of the Chief Coiner,

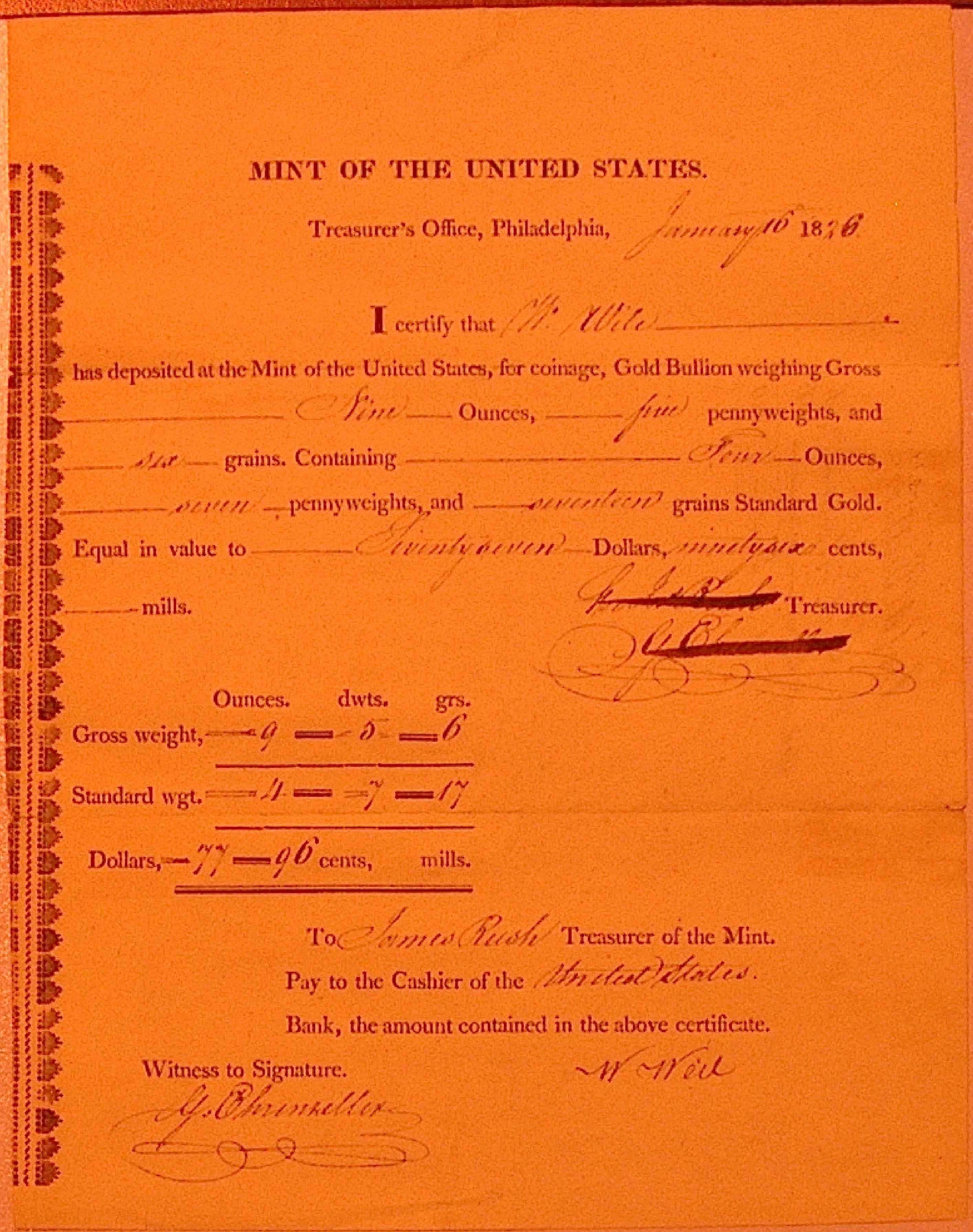
	Gold Bullion	5.1.19 =	$ 89:85:–
Ditto	Melter & Refiner	493.18.5 =	8,775:27:5
Do.	Chief Coiner, Silver Bullion	30,570.10.11 =	35,272,95.5
Do.	Melter & Refiner,	78,169.1.16 =	90,197.00.5
Do.	Commrs. of Inspection –	1.18.19 =	2.23.5
			$ 134,337.32.–
Gold Coins, remaining in the Bank U. States –			144.76.–
Silver Do		Do	100.02.–
		as above	$ 134,582.10

With great respect

Jos Anderson

Comptr.

James Rush, Esqr.
Treasurer of the Mint,
Philada.



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, January 16 1836

I certify that W. Weil

has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross Nine Ounces, five pennyweights, and six grains. Containing Four Ounces, seven pennyweights, and seventeen grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to Seventyseven Dollars, ninetysix cents, mills.

Treasurer.

	Ounces.	dwts.	grs.
Gross weight,	9	5	6
Standard wgt.	4	7	17

Dollars, 77 — 96 cents, mills.

To James Rush Treasurer of the Mint.

Pay to the Cashier of the United States.

Bank, the amount contained in the above certificate.

Witness to Signature.

G. Ehrenzeller

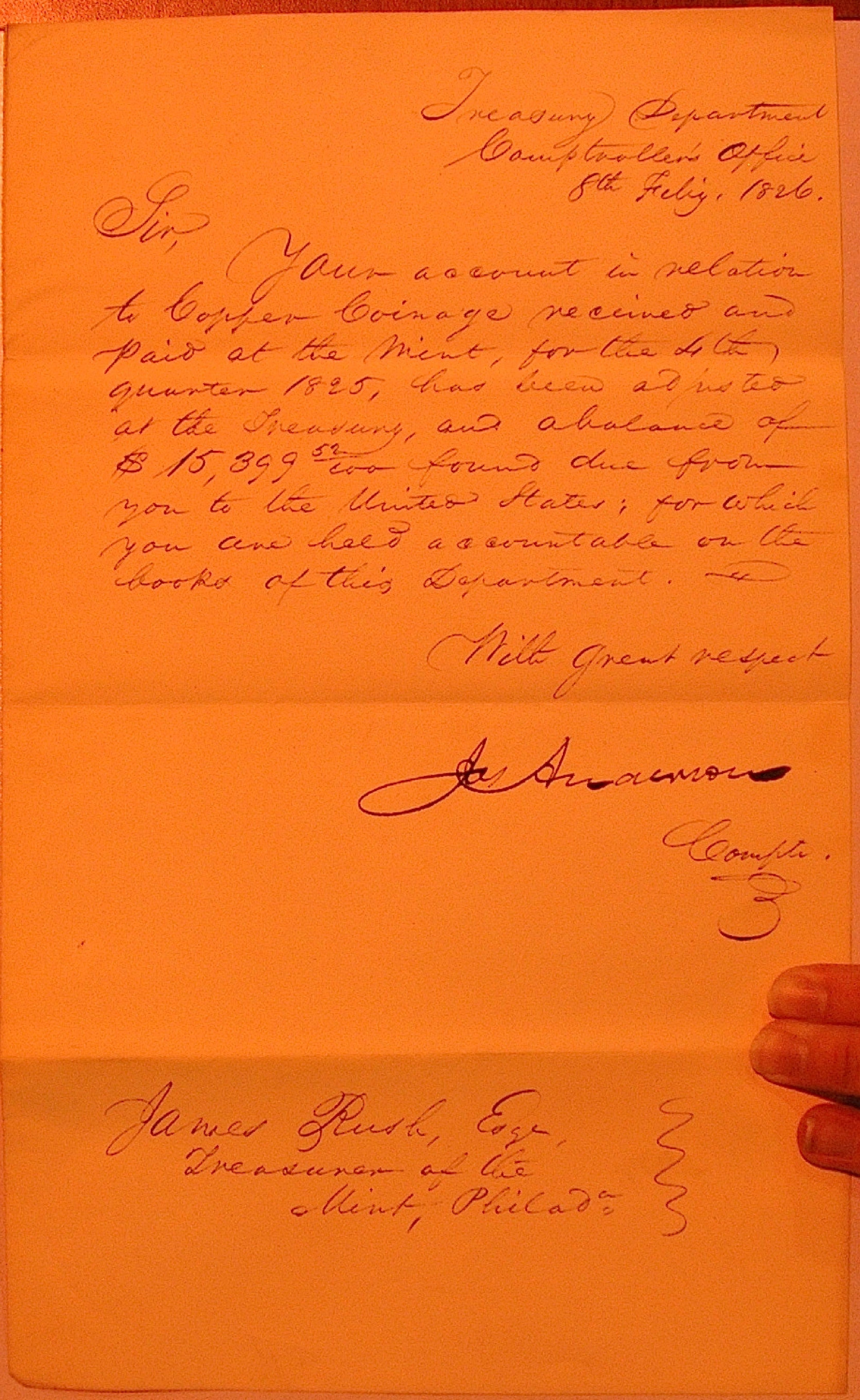
W Weil

Gold Bullion

Dollars = 77.96

deduct for refining .56

Ds = 77.40



Treasury Department
Comptroller's Office
8th Feby. 1826.

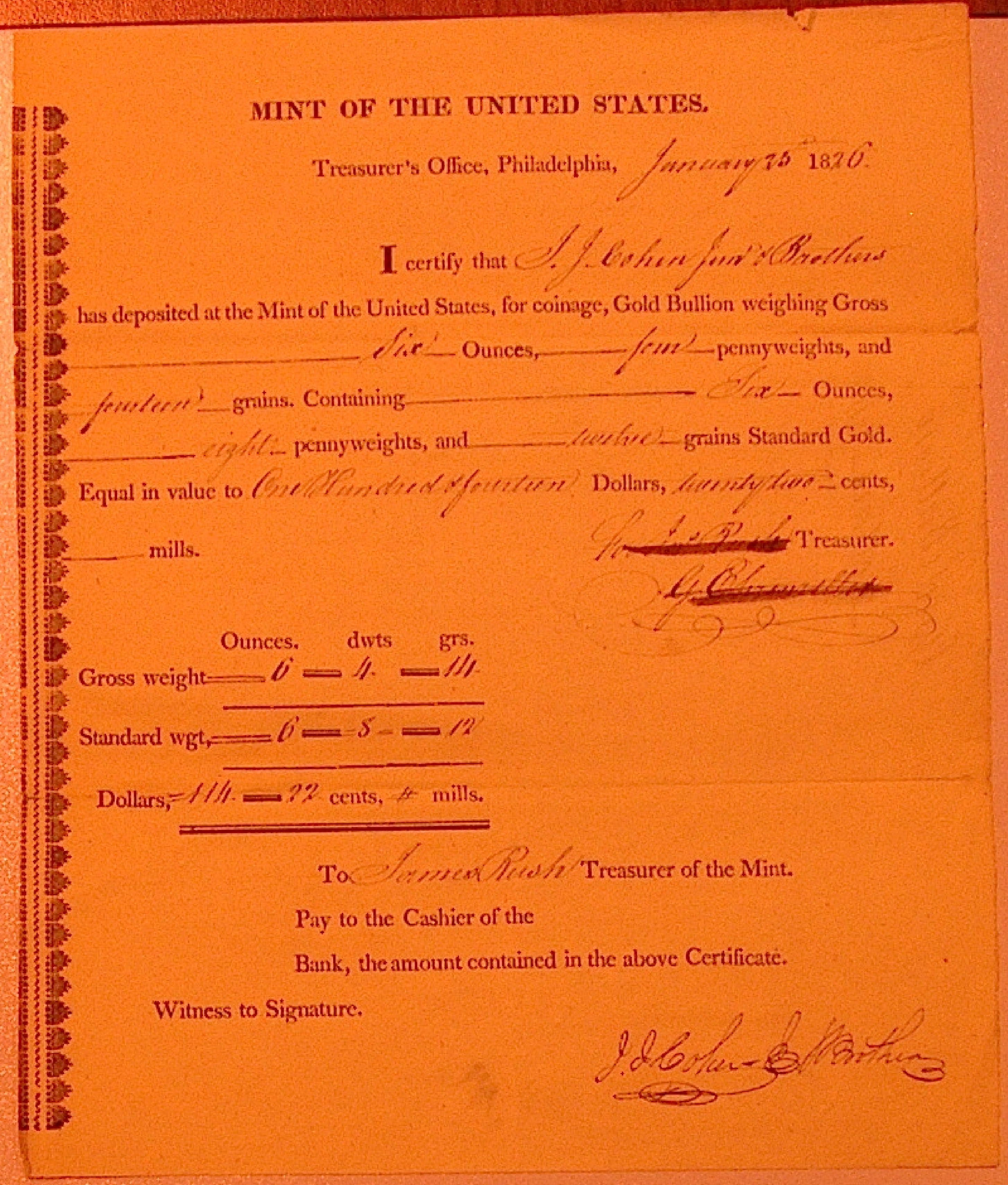
Sir,

Your account in relation to Copper Coinage received and paid at the Mint, for the 4th quarter 1825, has been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $ 15,399 52/100 found due from you to the United States; for which you are held accountable on the books of this Department.

With great respect

Js Anderson
Comptr.

James Rush, Esq.
Treasurer of the
Mint, Philada.



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, January 25th 1826.

I certify that J. J. Cohen Junr & Brothers has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross Six Ounces, four pennyweights, and fourteen grains. Containing Six Ounces, eight pennyweights, and twelve grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to One Hundred & fourteen Dollars, twenty two cents, mills.

Treasurer.

	Ounces.	dwts	grs.
Gross weight	6	4	14
Standard wgt,	6	8	12

Dollars, 114 — 22 cents, 4 mills.

To James Rush Treasurer of the Mint.

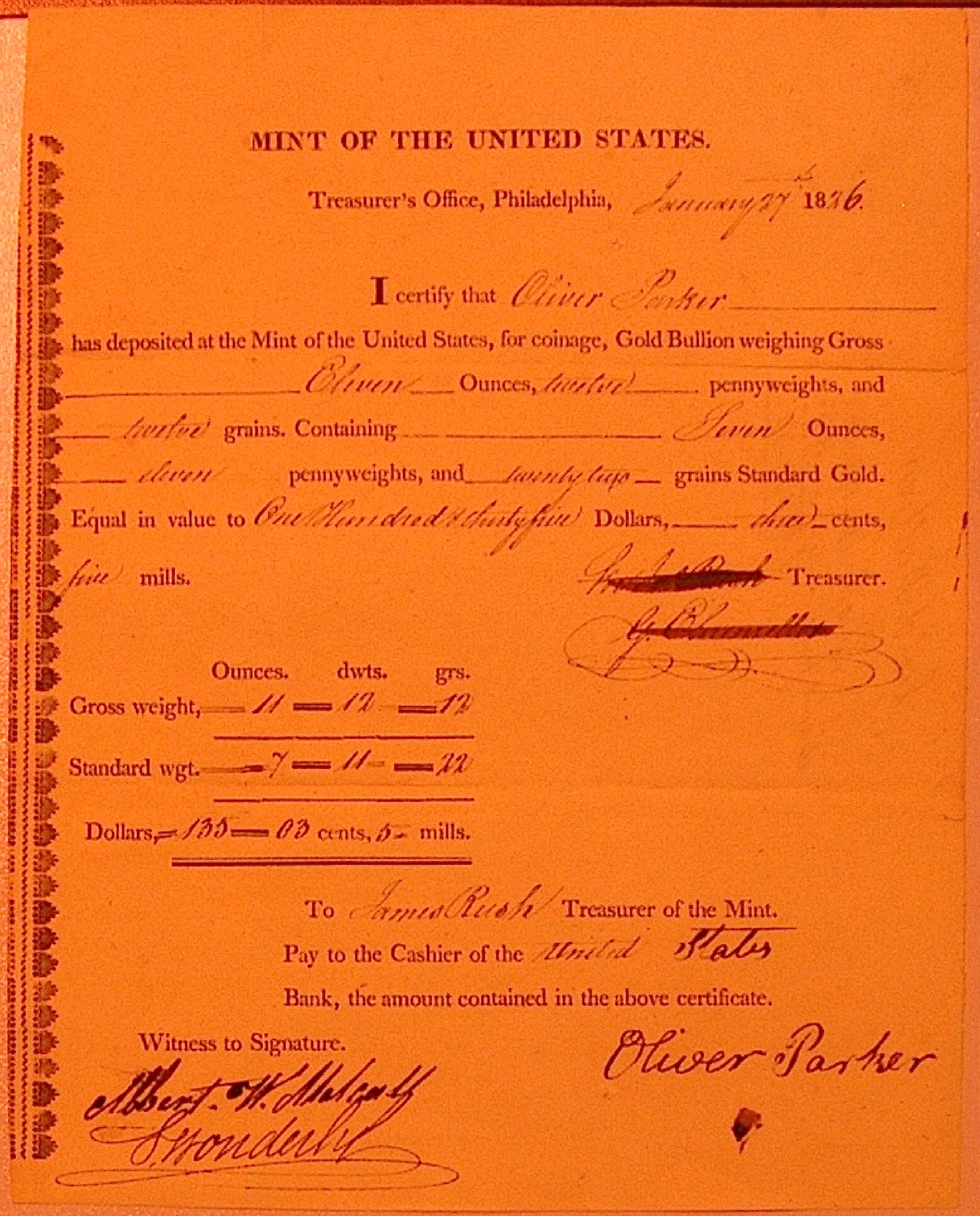
Pay to the Cashier of the

Bank, the amount contained in the above Certificate.

Witness to Signature.

J. J. Cohen & Brothers

Gold Bullion
Dollars = 114.22



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, January 27th 1836.

I certify that Oliver Parker has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross Eleven Ounces, twelve pennyweights, and twelve grains. Containing Seven Ounces, eleven pennyweights, and twenty two grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to One Hundred & thirty five Dollars, three cents, five mills.

Treasurer.

	Ounces.	dwts.	grs.
Gross weight,	11	12	12
Standard wgt.	7	11	22
Dollars,	135	03 cents,	5 mills.

To James Rush Treasurer of the Mint.

Pay to the Cashier of the United States Bank, the amount contained in the above certificate.

Witness to Signature.

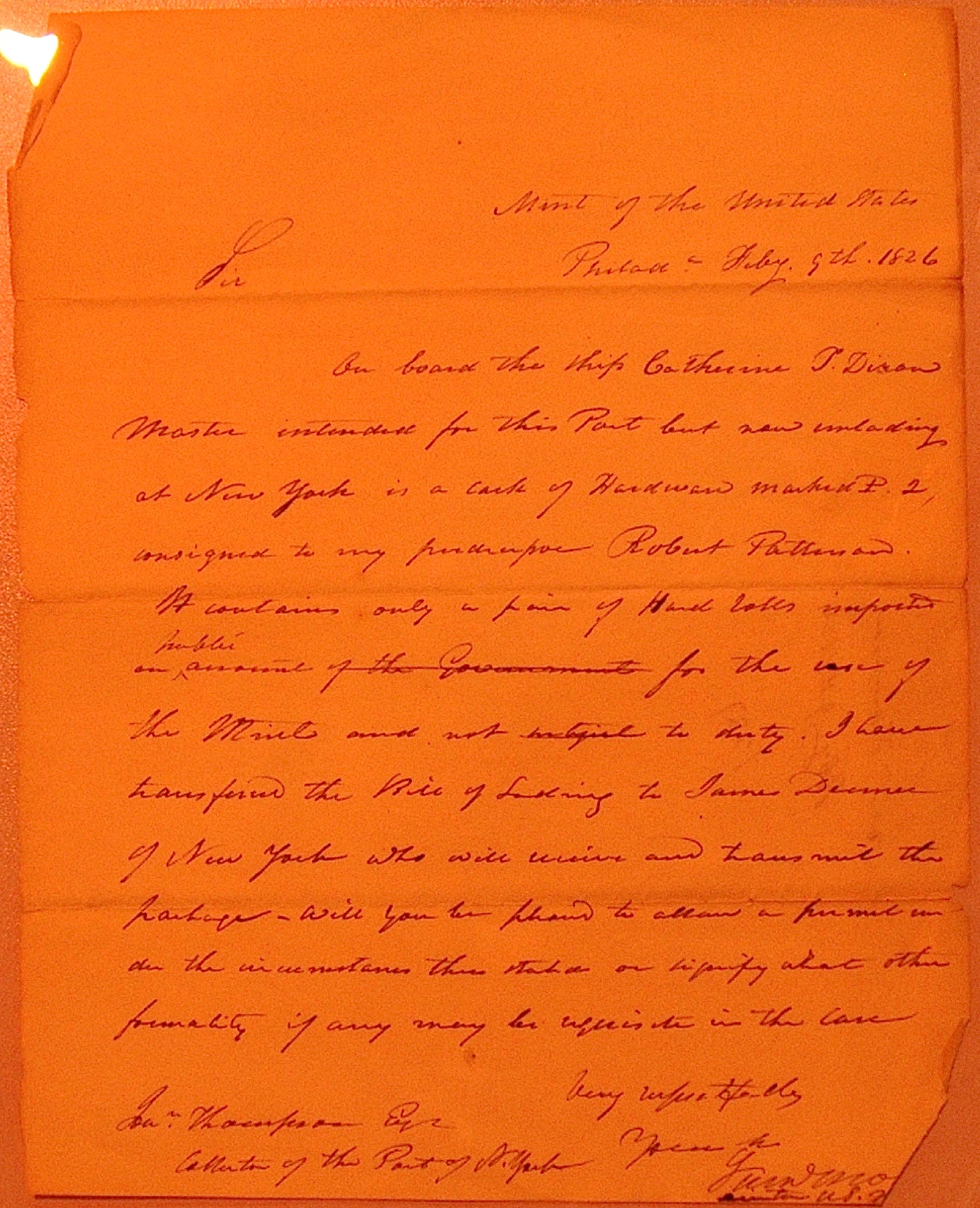
Oliver Parker

Gold Bullion

Dollars – 135.03½

deduct for refining – .63½

Ds 134.40



Mint of the United States
Philad^a Feby. 9th. 1826

Sir

On board the ship Catherine T. Dixon Master intended for this Port but now unlading at New York is a cask of Hardware marked P. 2, consigned to my predecessor Robert Patterson. It contains only a pair of Hand rolls imported on public account ~~of the Government~~ for the use of the Mint and not subject to duty. I have transferred the Bill of Lading to James Decrow of New York who will receive and transmit the package — Will you be pleased to allow a permit under the circumstances thus stated or signify what other formality if any may be requisite in the case

Very respectfully
Yours &c
Sam^l Moore
Director U.S.

Jon^n Thompson Esq^r
Collector of the Port of N. York

Gold Coins	Denominations	Date most frequent	Earliest date noticed	Latest date noticed	Rate p dwt.	Current value p their average weight
					cts	$ cts
G. Britain	Sovereign	1821	1817	1825	.89	4.56
	Guinea	1785	1749	1794	"	4.81
	½ D°	1785		1809	"	2.41
	⅓ D°	1794	—	—	"	1.56
France	Napoleon	—	—	—	.87	3.71
	D° Double	—	—	—	—	—
	Louis	—	—	—	"	4.25
	D° Double	—	—	—	—	—
	½ D°	—	—	—	—	—
Portugal	Joe	1769	1735	1803	.89	5.26
	½ D°	—	—	—	—	—
	Meidore	—	—	—	—	—
	½ D°	—	—	—	—	—
	Piece of 1600 reis	—	—	—	—	—
	D° 800 "	—	—	—	—	—
	Old Crusado 400 "	—	—	—	—	—
	New D° 480 "	—	—	—	—	—
Brazil	Mill Rea 1000 "	—	—	—	—	—
	Piece of 2000 "	1722	—	—	.89	—
	D° 4000 "	—	—	—	—	—
Spain	Doubloon before 1772	1795	—	—	.84	14.60
	½ D° " "	1791	—	—	"	7.35
	¼ D° " "	1791	—	—	"	3.71
	Doubloon since "	—	—	—	"	—
	D° " 1800	—	—	—	"	—
	½ D° " "	—	—	—	"	2.06
	¼ D° or Pistole	1814	—	—	"	—
	Gold Doll or ½ Pistole	—	—	—	—	—

Remarks.

All gold coins except those of the United States, continue to be received and paid by weight, and do not pass by tale — They are classed in three denominations in conformity with the Act of Congress of 1816, viz.

Gold Coins of G. Britain
& Portugal . . . . 89 cts p dwt.
& French . . . . 87 " "
Spain, the Dominions of Spain & S. America } .84 " "

Gold Coins	Denominations	Date most frequent	Earliest date Noticed	Latest date Noticed	Rate p dwt	[illegible]	Remarks
Mexico	Doubloon	1823	—	—	.84	14.63	
	½ D°				"		The remarks as respects Gold Coins on the other Side will embrace this Side also.
	¼ D°				"		
Columbia	Doubloon	—	—	—	.84	—	
	½ D°				"		
	¼ D°				"		
Cent. America	Doubloon	—	—	—	.84		
	½ D°				"		
	¼ D°				"		
Peru	Doubloon	—	—	—	.84	—	
	½ D°				"		
	¼ D°				"		
Chili	Doubloons	—	—	—	.84	—	
	½ D°				"		
	¼ D°				"		
La Plata	Doubloon	—	—	—	.84		
	½ D°				"		
	¼ D°				"		

Silver Coins	Denominations	Date most frequent	Earliest date Noticed	Latest date Noticed	Current Value	Remarks
G. Britain	Crown	1700	1665	1743	1.09	
	½ D°	1817	—	—	.50	Silver Coins pass by tale at the rates set down under the head "Current Value" in Dollars & Cents
	Shilling	1787	—	—	.18	
	Sixpence	—	—	—	—	
France	Crowns	1780	1726	1792	1.09	
	½ D°	—	—	—	.50	
	5 Franc Napoleon	1808	—	—	.933	
	D° Louis 18	1820	—	—	.933	
	D° Charles 10	1825	—	—	.933	
Portugal	Old Crusado 400 Reas	—	—	—	—	
	New D° 480 "	—	—	—	—	
	Teston 100 "	—	—	—	—	
Brazil	New Crusado 480 "	—	—	—	—	
	Pataca 320 "	—	—	—	—	None in Circulation in this Section of the Union.
	Piece of 640 "	—	—	—	—	
	D° 160 "	—	—	—	—	
	D° 320 "	—	—	—	—	
	D° 600 "	—	—	—	—	
Spain	Pistareen	1750	1712	—	.18	
	½ D°	1787	1787		.10	
	Dollar	—	—	—	1.00	
Mexico	D°	1824	—	—	D°	
Columbia	D°	1821	—	—	D°	
Cent. America	D°	—	—	—	D°	
Peru	D°	1822	—	—	D°	
Chili	D°	1820	—	—	D°	
La Plata	D°	—	—	—	D°	

Office Bank U. S.
Savannah 9th Aug. 1826
Cash.

Gold Coins	Denominations	Date most frequent	earliest date noticed	latest date noticed	Rate per dwt by weight	Curr^t value per piece of ordin^y weight	Remarks
G. Britain	Sovereign	1821	1817	1825	0.888889	$4.88/100	these Coins are rarely seen among us
	Guinea	1777	1767	1798	d°	$4.95/100	a few pieces constitute all our stock
	½ d°	1800	1800	1810	d°	$2.33/100	
	¼ d°	.	.	.	.	.	None.
France	Napoleon	1812	1806	1813	0.872727	$3.60/100	The above Remark will
	d° double	1811	1811	1811	d°	$7.80/100	apply also to this parcel
	Louis	1815	1814	1824	d°	$3.60/100	„
	d° double	1786	1786	1791	d°	$8.97/100	„
	½ d°	.	.	.	.	.	None.
Portugal	Joe	1729	1729	1729	0.888889	$16.55/100	But a few pieces or heads are in
	½ d°	1756	1756	1809	d°	$8.	circulation here.
	Moidore	.	.	.	.	.	None
	½ d°	.	.	.	.	.	„
	Piece of 1600 Reas	.	.	.	.	.	„
	d° 800 „	.	.	.	.	.	„
	old Crusado 400 „	.	.	.	.	.	„
	New d° 480 „	.	.	.	.	.	„
Brazil	Mill Rea 1000 Reas	.	.	.	.	.	„
	Piece of 2000	.	.	.	.	.	„
	d° 4000 „	.	.	.	.	.	„
Spain	Doubloon before 1772	.	.	.	.	.	None
	½ d° „	.	.	.	.	.	„
	¼ d° or Pistole	.	.	.	.	.	„
	Doubloon since 1772	1772	1772	1799	0.842105	$15.50	always pass by tale, the price
	d° since 1800	1819	1800	1821	d°	$15.50	varies with the demand, sometimes as high as $16.—
	½ d° „	.	.	.	.	.	the parts generally pass by weight
	¼ d° or Pistole „	.	.	.	.	.	but we have none.
	Gold doll^r or ⅛ Pistole	.	.	.	.	.	

Report of Gold
Cashier, U.S.B.
Cincinnati
Aug^t 7, 1826.
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Gold Coins	Denominations	date most frequent	earliest date noticed	latest date noticed	rate per pennyweight	Cur. value per piece of ordinary weight	Remarks
Mexico	Doubloon						None
	½ d°						"
	¼ d°						"
Columbia	Doubloon	1823	1823	1824	[illegible]	$15 30/100	pass by tale from 15$ a $16. —
	½ d°						have never seen any
	¼ d°						
Peru	Doubloon						None.
	½ d°						"
	¼ d°						"
Central America	Doubloon						None.
	½ d°						"
	¼ d°						"
Chili	Doubloon						None
	½ d°						"
	¼ d°						"
La Plata	Doubloon						None
	½ d°						"
	¼ d°						"

Silver Coins	Denominations	date most frequent	earliest date noticed	latest date noticed	Current Value	Remarks
G. Britain	Crown					None.
	½ d°					
	Shilling					
	Sixpence					
France	Crown	1793	1726	1793	109 cts	very few Crowns, the half Crown is defaced, the dates are generally illegible.
	½ d°	1726	1726	1791	50 cts	
	5 franc Napoleon	1813	1806	1815	93 7/10	
	5 d° Louis 18.	1823	1815	1824	d°	
	5 d° Charles 10.					None on hand.
Portugal	Old Cruzado 400 Rs.					None
	new d° 480 "					
	Testoon 100 "					
Brazil	New Cruzado 480 "					None in circulation here
	Pataca 320 "					
	Piece of 640 "					
	d° 150 "					
	d° 300 "					
	d° 600 "					
Spain	Pistareens	1721	1711	1808	17	the dates being generally effaced the quotations here made are from few
	½ d°	1721	1718	1799	8½ cts	
Mexico	Dollars	1823	1822	1824	$1.00	
Columbia	d°	1820	1820	1820	"	
Cent. America	d°					None
Peru	d°	1823	1822	1823		
Chili	d°	1822	1817	1822		
La Plata	d°	1815	1815	1815		

Office Bank U States
Norfolk 12 Sep. 1826
Luke Wheeler Cash^r
Pr L.L.R.

Deposits
Co. B. U. S.
New York
Sept 12. 1826

Gold Coins	Denomination	date most frequent	earliest date noticed	latest date noticed	rate per pennyweight	curt value in pieces of Bank Tellers	Remarks
G. Britain	Sovereign	1822	1821	1822	.88 8/9	4.44 4/9	
	Guinea		1758	1794	"	4.66 2/3	
	½ do.		1788		"		
	⅓ do.		1803		"		
France	Napoleon		1813	1813	.87		
	do. double				.		none in Bank
	Louis	1824	1786	1824	87		none
	do. double						none
	½ do.						
Portugal	Joe						none
	½ do.	1789	1757	1814	.88 8/9		
	Moidore						none
	½ do.						do
	Piece of 1600 Reas						do
	do. 800 "						do
	Old crusado 400 "						do
	New do. 480 "						do
Brazil	Mill Rea 4000 "						none
	Piece of 2000 "						
	do of 4000 "						
Spain	Doubloon before 1772						none
	½ do. " "						
	¼ do. or Pistole "						
	Doubloon since 1772		1757		.84		
	do .. 1800		1808	1817	"		
	½ do. ..			1757	"		
	¼ do. or Pistole =	1751	1779	1787	"		
	Gold dollr or ¼ Pistole "		1760	1786	"		

Gold coins	Denominations	date most frequent	earliest date noticed	latest date noticed	rate per pennyweight	curr.t value in pure ordinary charges	Remarks
Mexico	Doubloon						none in Bank
	½ do.						
	¼ do.						
Columbia	Doubloon						none in Bank
	½ do.						
	¼ do.						
Cent.l America	Doubloon						none in Bank
	½ do.						
	¼ do.						
Peru	Doubloon						none in Bank
	½ do.						
	¼ do						
Chili	Doubloon						none in Bank
	½ do.						
	¼ do.						
La Plata	Doubloon						none in Bank
	½ do						
	¼ do						

Silver coins	Denominations	date most frequent	earliest date noticed	latest date noticed	current value	Remarks
G. Britain	Crown					none in Bank
	½ do.					
	Shilling					
	Sixpence					
France	Crown					none in Bank
	½ do.					
	5 franc Napoleon		1807	1813	.93½	
	5 " Louis 18		1822	1823	"	
	5 " Charles 10.			1824	"	
Portugal	Old Cruzado 400 Rs.					none in Bank
	New do. 480 "					
	Testoon 100 "					
Brazil	New Cruzado 480 "					none in Bank
	Pataca 320 "					
	Piece of 640 "					
	do. " 150 "					
	do " 300 "					
	do " 600 "					
Spain	Pistareens					none in Bank
	½ do.					
	Dollars		1706	1802	1.00	
Mexico	do.	1824	1822	1825	1.00	
Columbia	do.					none in Bank
Cent.l America	do.					
Peru	do.					
Chili	do.					
La Plata	do					

Report from
Mr. Smith
Cash. B.U.S.
Baltimore
1826
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Gold Coin	Denominations	Date most frequently shown	Earliest date noticed	Latest date noticed	Rate per dwt. by weight	U.S. value per piece of 1818	Remarks
G. Britain	Sovereign						None
	Guinea	1798	1701	1798			per weight according to act of Congress
	½ do.						
	⅓ do.						None
France	Napoleon						None
	do. double						all gold Coins taken by weight according to the act of Congress
	Louis	1786	1786	1786			
	do. double	1786	1786	1786			
	½ do.						None
Portugal	Joe	1731	1731	1731			per weight according to acts &c.
	½ do.						
	Moidore						None
	½ do.						do
	Piece of 1600 Reas						do
	do 800 "						do
	Old Cruzado 400 "						do
	New do. 480 "						do
							do
Brazil	Mill Rea 1000 Reas						do
	Piece of 2000 "						do
	do. 4000 "						do
Spain	Doubloon before 1772						do
	½ do. " "						do
	¼ do. or Pistole "		1770				do
	Doubloon since 1772		1774	1798			per weight according to act of Congress
	do. since 1800		1802	1812			~~[illegible]~~ do
	½ do. " "						None
	¼ do. or Pistole "						per weight
	1/16 Gold dollar or do ⅛ Pistole	1798 1787	1758 1787	1798 1787			do do

Report from
Richmond
Cashr. Br. U.S.
1826

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Gold Coins	Denomination		Date most frequent	Earliest date noticed	Latest date noticed	Rate pr. cent	Current value pr. piece of common weight
Britain	Sovereign	.	1821	1817	1825	.89	$4.56
	Guinea	.	1785	1749	1794	〃	4.51
	½ D°	.	1788	—	1809	〃	2.41
	⅓ D°	.	1794	—	—	〃	1.56
France	Napoleon		—	—	—	.87	2.71
	D° double		—	—	—	—	—
	Louis		—	—	—	.87	4.25
	D° double		—	—	—	—	—
	½ D°		—	—	—	—	—
Portugal	Joe	.	—	—	—	—	—
	½ D°	.	1769	1735	1803	.89	8.26
	Moidore		—	—	—	—	—
	½ D°					—	
	Piece of	1600 Reis	—	—	—	—	—
	D°	800 〃	—	—	—	—	—
	Old Crusado	400 〃	—	—	—	—	—
	New D°	480 〃	—	—	—	—	—
Brazil	Mill Rea	1000 〃	—	—	—	—	—
	Piece of	2000 〃	1722	—	—	.89	
	D°	4000 〃	—	—	—	—	—
Spain	Doubloon before	1772	1785	—	—	.84	16.63
	½ D° 〃	.	1791	—	—	〃	7.35
	¼ D° 〃	.	1791	—	—	〃	2.71
	D° Vine	〃	—	—	—	〃	—
	D° 〃	1800	—	—	—	〃	—
	½ D° 〃	.	—	—	—	〃	—
	⅛ D° or Pistole		1814			〃	2.06
	Gold Dollr. a ⅛ D°		—	—	—	〃	—

Remarks.

All Gold Coins except those of the United States continue to be received & paid by weight & do not pass by tale. They are classed in these denominations in conformity with the Act of Congress of 1816 viz.

Gold Coins of Great Britain & Portugal } .89 ct. pr. dwt
D° French .87 〃 〃
Spain, the Dominions of Spain and South America } .84 〃 〃

Gold Coins	Denominations	Date most frequent	Earliest date noticed	Latest date noticed	Rate p dwt.	Current value for ordinary weight	Remarks
Mexico	Doubloons	1823		—	.84	14.63	
	½ D°						
	¼ D°						
Columbia	Doubloons	—	—	—	.84	—	
	½ D°						
	¼ D°						
Cent. Am.a	Doubloons	—	—	—	.84	—	
	½ D°						The remarks as respects Gold Coins on the other side will embrace this side also.
	¼ D°						
Peru	Doubloons	—			.84	—	
	½ D°						
	¼ D°						
Chile	Doubloons	—	—	—	.84	—	
	½ D°						
	¼ D°						
La Plata	Doubloons	—	—	—	.84	—	
	½ D°						
	¼ D°						

Silver Coins	Denominations	Date most frequent	Earliest date Noticed	Latest date Noticed	Current Value	Remarks
G Britain	Crown	1700	1668	1743	1.09	
	½ D°	1817	—	—	.50	
	Shilling	1787	—	—	.18	
	Sixpence	—	—	—	—	Silver Coins pass by tale at the rates set down under the head "Current Value" in Dollars & Cents —
France	Crown	1780	1726	1792	1.09	
	½ D°	—	—	—	.50	
	5 Franc Napoleon	1808	—	—	.933	
	D° Louis 18	1820	—	—	.933	
	D° Charles 10	1825	—	—	.933	
Portugal	Old Crusado 400 Rs	—	—	—	—	
	New D° 480 ,,	—	—	—	—	
	Testoon 100 ,,	—	—	—	—	
Brazil	New Crusado 480 ,,	—	—	—	—	None in Circulation in this Section of the Union.
	Pataca 320 ,,	—	—	—	—	
	Piece of 640 ,,	—	—	—	—	
	D° ,, 150 ,,	—	—	—	—	
	D° ,, 300 ,,	—	—	—	—	
	D° . 600 ,,	—	—	—	—	
Spain	Pistareen	1750	1712	—	.18	
	½ D°	1757	1737	—	.10	
	Dollar	—	—	—	1.00	
Mexico	D° . .	1824	—	—	do	
Columbia	D° . .	1821	—	—	do	
Cent. America	D° . .	—	—	—	do	
Peru	D° . .	1822	—	—	do	
Chile	D° . .	1820	—	—	do	
La Plata	D° . .	—	—	—	do	

Office Bank U. S.
Savannah 9th Augt. 1826
J. Hunter
Cashr.

Report
Carhie Bruns
Savannah
Aug. 1826

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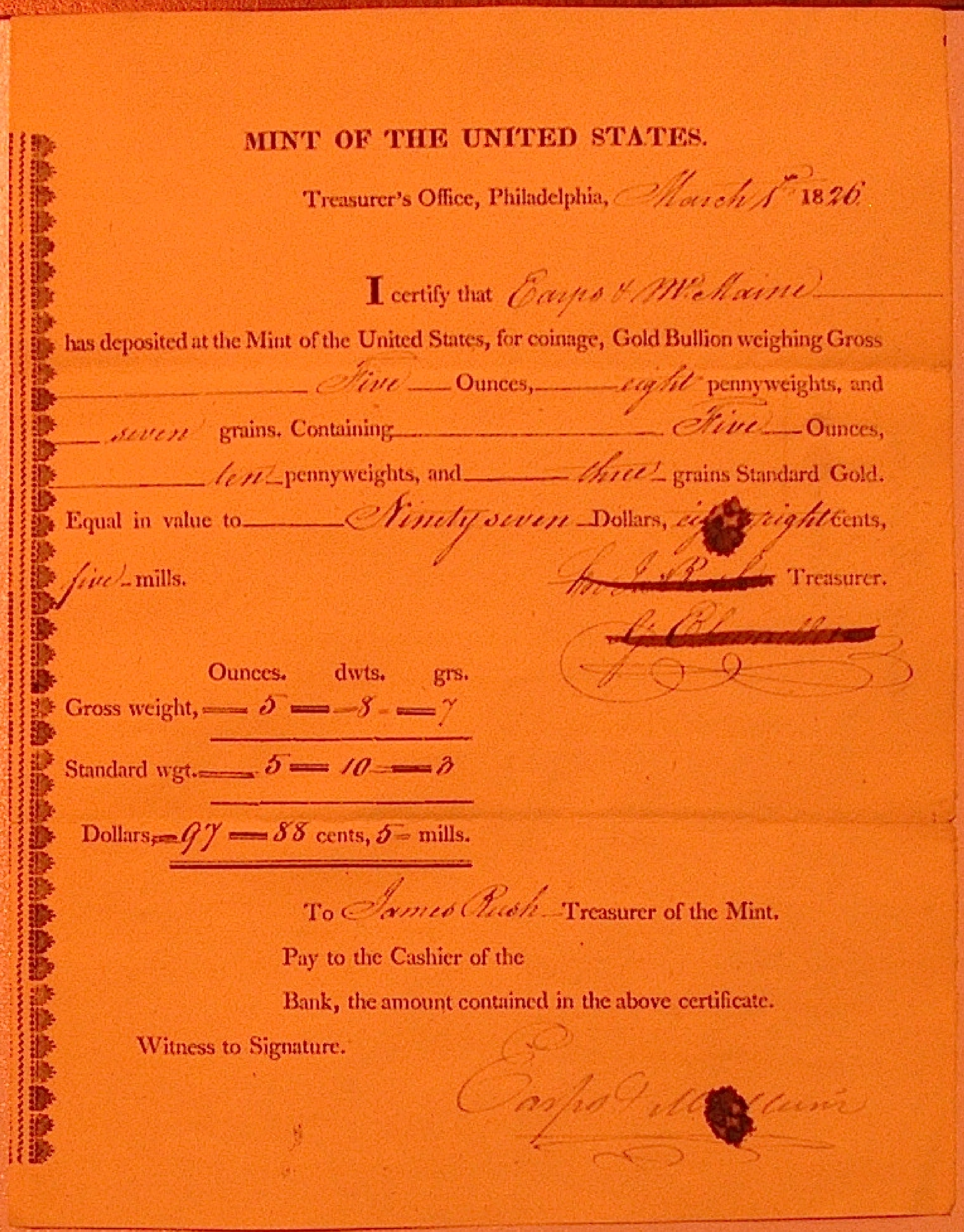
Mr. ~~[illegible]~~
Savannah
Cart.r ~~New Orleans~~
Mrs. Hunt

							Remarks
G Britain	Sovereign	—	—	—	—	—	No Specimens
	Guinea	1775	1677	1799	$88\frac{88}{100}$	475	
	½ do	1790	1726	1810	″	237½	by Weight
	⅓ do	1798	1797	1810	″	156¼	
France	Napoleon	1814	1811	1818	$87\frac{27}{100}$	375	value by tale
	do double	1811	1806	1812	″	750	
	Louis (d'or)	1786	1726	1790	″	454	by weight
	do double	1786	1786	1790	″	856	
	½ do		—	—	—	—	
Portugal	Dobra 12800 Rs	—	—	—	—	1622	No Specimens
	Joes or Johannes	1774	1724	1807	$88\frac{88}{100}$	818	by weight
	½ do	—	1723	1751	″	400	
	Moidore	1714	1689	1724	″	600	
	½ do — Piece of 1600 Reas; do 400 Reas; Old & new Crusade						No Specimens
Brazil	[illegible] 1000 Reas — Piece of 2000 — do 4000 Reas						No Specimens
Spain	Doubloon before 1772 — ½ do — ¼ do, or Pistole —						No Specimens
	do since 1772	—	1777	1793	$84\frac{21}{100}$	1462	by weight
	do 1800	1816	1807	1820	″	″	
	½ doubloon — ¼ do or pistole — gold Dollar & ¼ pistole						No Specimens
Mexico	Doubloon	1825	1823	1825	$84\frac{21}{100}$	1462	By weight, few Spec.
	½ & ¼ do	—	—	—	—	—	No Specimens
Colombia	Doubloon	—	1825	1826	$84\frac{21}{100}$	1462	By wt, few Specimens
	½ & ¼ do	—	—	—	—	—	No Specimens
Central Amer.ª Peru Chili Laplata	Doubloon	—	—	—	—	—	No Specimens
	½ do	—	—	—	—	—	
	¼ do	—	—	—	—	—	

Silver Coins	Denomination		Earliest date noticed	Latest date noticed	Current value in Bank	Remarks
G Britain	Crown ½ do Shilling Sixpence	None				
France	Crown	17[illegible]	1726	1793	1[illegible]	At Bank 10[illegible] cents
	½ do	17[illegible]	1727	1785	50	″ 50
	5 francs, Napoleon	18[illegible]	1803	1815	9[illegible]	
	do Louis 18th	1824	1814	1824		
	do Charles 10th	1825	1825	1826		
Portugal	Old Crusada, 400 Rs do Testoon 100 new Crusado 480 do Testoon 100	None				
Brazil	New Cr[illegible] [illegible]Rs Pataca 320 Piece of 6[illegible] do " 150 do . 300 do 600	None				
Spain	Pistareen	1725	1707	1770	18[illegible]	At Bank 17 cents
	½ do		—	—	6[illegible]	″ 8
Mexico	Dollars	180[illegible]	1772	1822	100	
Colombia	do	182[illegible]	1822	1825	100	
Central America Peru Chili Laplata	None					



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, March 8th 1826.

I certify that Earps & McIlvaine has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross Five Ounces, eight pennyweights, and seven grains. Containing Five Ounces, ten pennyweights, and three grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to Ninety seven Dollars, ei[illegible]eight cents, five mills.

~~for J. Rush~~ Treasurer.

~~J. Chandler~~

	Ounces.	dwts.	grs.
Gross weight,	5	8	7
Standard wgt.	5	10	3

Dollars, 97 — 88 cents, 5 mills.

To James Rush Treasurer of the Mint.

Pay to the Cashier of the

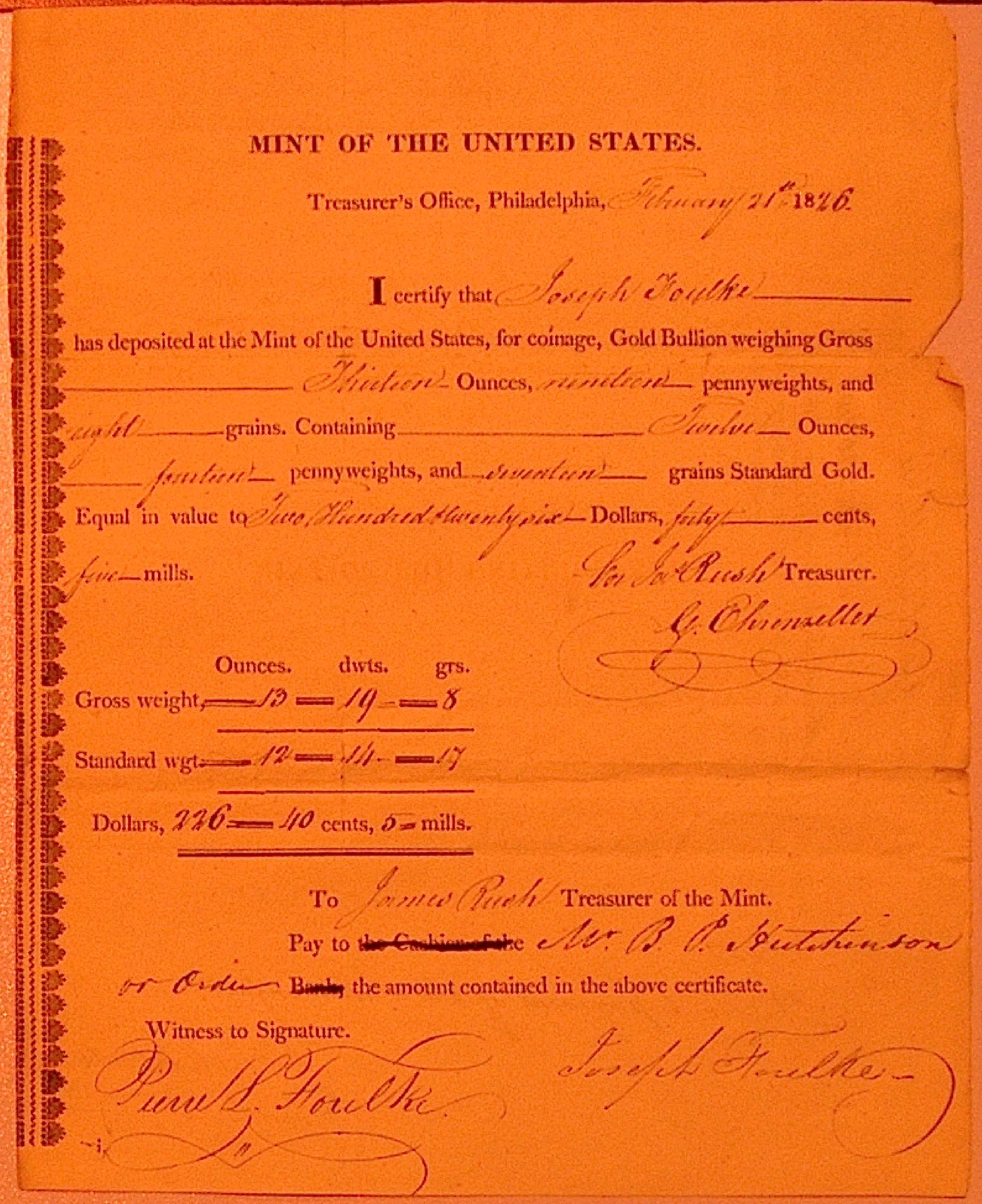
Bank, the amount contained in the above certificate.

Witness to Signature.

Earps & McIlvaine

Gold Bullion

Dollars=97.88½



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, February 21st 1826.

I certify that Joseph Foulke has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross Thirteen Ounces, nineteen pennyweights, and eight grains. Containing Twelve Ounces, fourteen pennyweights, and seventeen grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to Two Hundred & twenty six Dollars, forty cents, five mills.

Per Ja. Rush Treasurer.
G. Ehrenzeller

	Ounces.	dwts.	grs.
Gross weight,	13	19	8
Standard wgt.	12	14	17

Dollars, 226 — 40 cents, 5 mills.

To James Rush Treasurer of the Mint.

Pay to ~~the Cashier of the~~ Mr. B. P. Hutchinson or Order ~~Bank,~~ the amount contained in the above certificate.

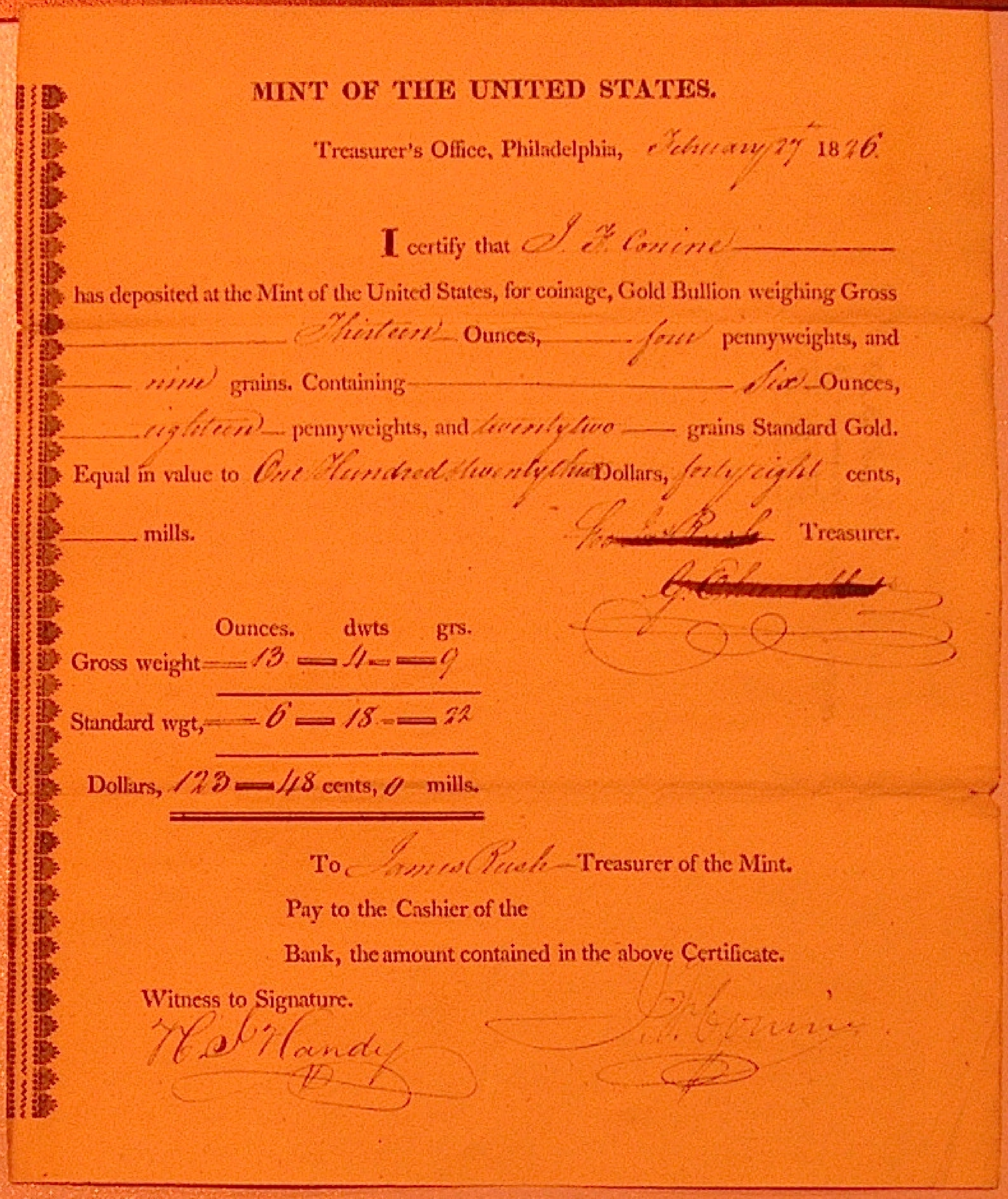
Witness to Signature.
Paul L. Foulke Joseph Foulke

Gold Bullion

Dollars 286.40½
deduct for refining — 70½
D.rs 285.70

Received payment of the within in full

R. B. Hutchinson



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, February 27 1826

I certify that J. F. Conine
has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross Thirteen Ounces, four pennyweights, and nine grains. Containing Six Ounces, eighteen pennyweights, and twentytwo grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to One Hundred twentythree Dollars, fortyeight cents, mills.

Treasurer.

	Ounces.	dwts	grs.
Gross weight	13	4	9
Standard wgt,	6	18	22

Dollars, 123 — 48 cents, 0 mills.

To James Rush Treasurer of the Mint.
Pay to the Cashier of the
Bank, the amount contained in the above Certificate.

Witness to Signature.
H. S. Handy

J. F. Conine

Gold Bullion

Dollars = 123.48

deduct for refining — .78

Ds 122.70

To
Doctr. Samuel Moore,
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia.

Department of War
Office Indian Affairs
March 3d. 1826.

Sir,

You will be so good as to deliver to the bearer Mr. Ramsay D. Potts. One hundred Medals – Twenty five of the largest size – Forty of the second, and thirty five of the third size; and take his receipt for the same, – which you will please forward to the Department. –

I am,
very Respectfully,
Yr. Obedt. Servt.

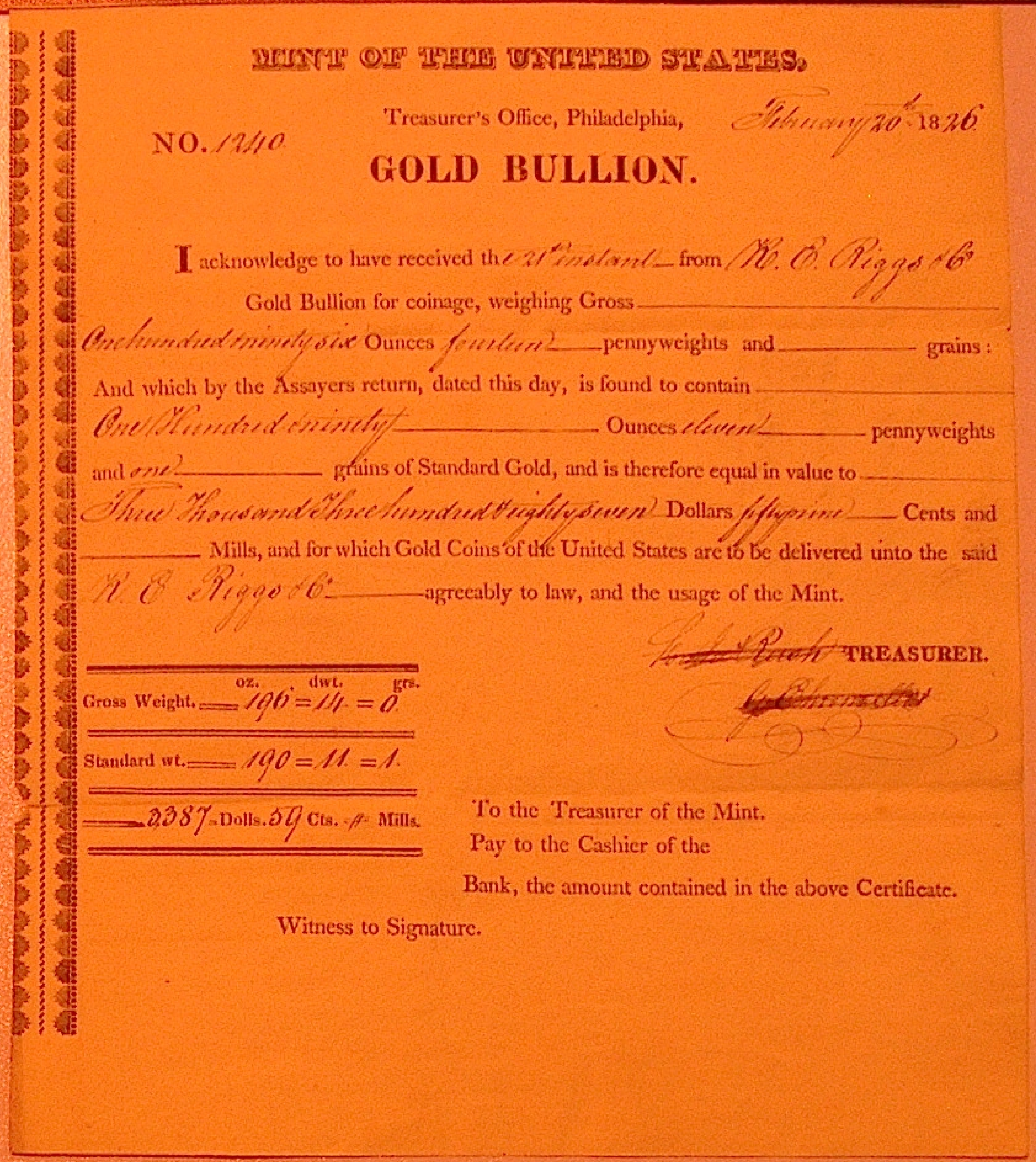
Tho. L. McKenney

Order for
40 Medals
and
Rec.t thereupon
3d March 1826

1192½

Rec.d March 24. 1826 the Medals mentioned in the within order

Ramsay D Potts



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, February 20th 1826

NO. 1240

GOLD BULLION.

I acknowledge to have received the 21st instant from R. E. Riggs & Co

Gold Bullion for coinage, weighing Gross

One hundred ninety six Ounces fourteen pennyweights and grains:

And which by the Assayers return, dated this day, is found to contain

One Hundred ninety Ounces eleven pennyweights

and one grains of Standard Gold, and is therefore equal in value to

Three Thousand three hundred eighty seven Dollars fifty nine Cents and

Mills, and for which Gold Coins of the United States are to be delivered unto the said

R. E. Riggs & Co agreeably to law, and the usage of the Mint.

TREASURER.

	oz.	dwt.	grs.
Gross Weight.	196	14	0
Standard wt.	190	11	1

3387 Dolls. 59 Cts. Mills.

To the Treasurer of the Mint.
Pay to the Cashier of the
Bank, the amount contained in the above Certificate.

Witness to Signature.

No. 1240.
Gold Bullion
Dollars 3387.59
deduct for refining 7.89
D. 3379.70

Washⁿ 6 March 1826

Sir

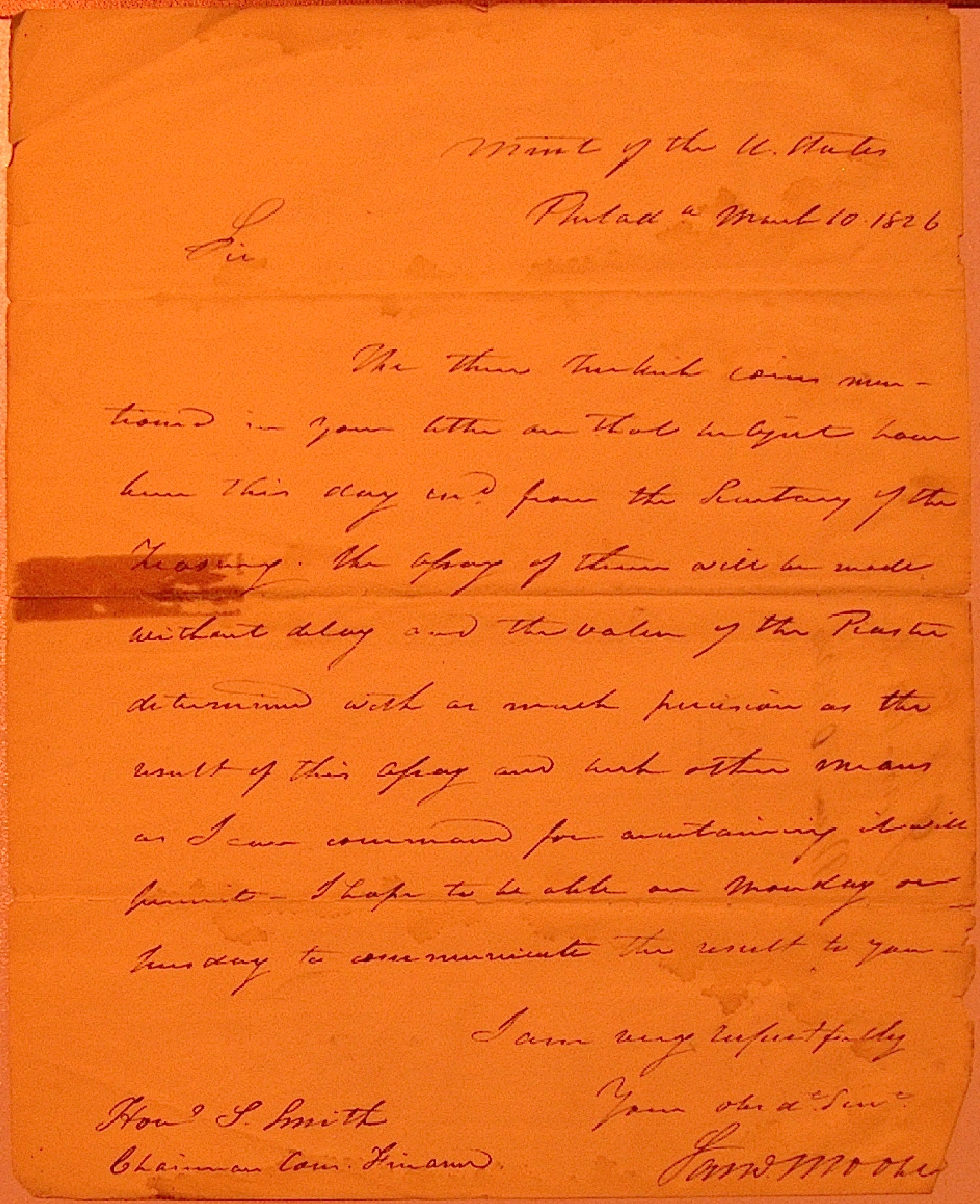
The Com: of Finance of which I am the Chairman, have before them a resolution of Senate directing them to ascertain as nearly as may be practicable, the ~~relative~~ real Value of the Coins of Brazil. Chili, Peru and Mexico and also of the Piastre of Turkey — To ascertain the latter I placed with Mr. Rush some gold pieces. the small ones, denominated 3 piastres. The large ones, 6. — he will hand them to you to be assayed, to ascertain their intrinsic Value in Cents. It is important that the assay shall be made without delay — The Object is, that the Collectors may be enabled to ascertain the actual Cost of goods &c. imported from Turkey — In Boston the Value of a Piastre is fixed at Ten Cents. in Baltimore the Collector has valued on a Cargo lately arrived the Piastre at 14 Cents. which makes the Baltᵒ merchant pay 4/10 more duty on his goods. than is paid by the Boston merchant.

I will be much Obliged by your informing me of the real Value in Cents of the Coins of the other Nations mentioned — That of Brazil is probably the same as that in of Portugal — The money of account is called Millrea which is equal one and a quarter of our dollars — It is important to know whether any debasing of the coin of those countries have taken place. Such information as you can give on those subjects will confer a favour on Sir

your Obed^t Serv^t

S. Smith

28/800



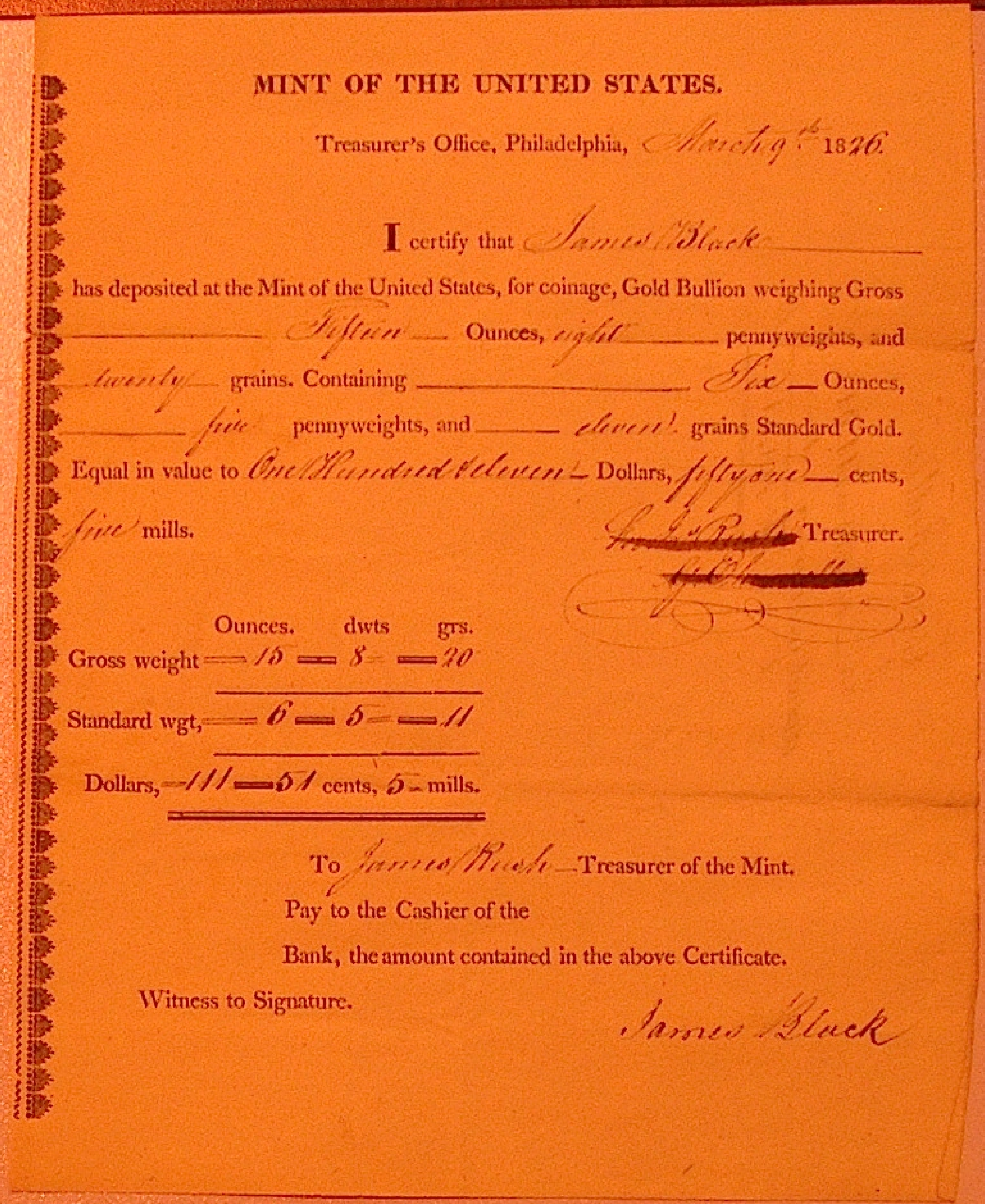
Mint of the U. States
Philad^{a} March 10. 1826

Sir

The three Turkish coins mentioned in your letter on that subject have been this day rec^{d} from the Secretary of the Treasury. The aſsay of them will be made without delay and the value of the Piastre determined with as much precision as the result of this aſsay and such other means as I can command for ascertaining it will permit. I hope to be able on Monday or Tuesday to communicate the result to you.

I am very respectfully
Your obed^{t} Serv^{t}
Sam^{l} Moore

Hon^{l} S. Smith
Chairman Com. Finance



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, March 9th 1826.

I certify that James Black

has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross Fifteen Ounces, eight pennyweights, and twenty grains. Containing Six Ounces, five pennyweights, and eleven grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to One Hundred & eleven Dollars, fifty one cents, five mills.

~~Jas. J. Rush~~ Treasurer.

	Ounces.	dwts	grs.
Gross weight	15	8	20
Standard wgt,	6	5	11

Dollars, 111 — 51 cents, 5 mills.

To James Rush Treasurer of the Mint.

Pay to the Cashier of the

Bank, the amount contained in the above Certificate.

Witness to Signature.

James Black

Gold Bullion

Dollars = 111.51½

deduct for refining 1.—

$ 110.51½

Mint of the U States

Philada March 9. 1826

Sir

~~Your letter of the 5th was recd~~

~~[illegible] the honour to~~

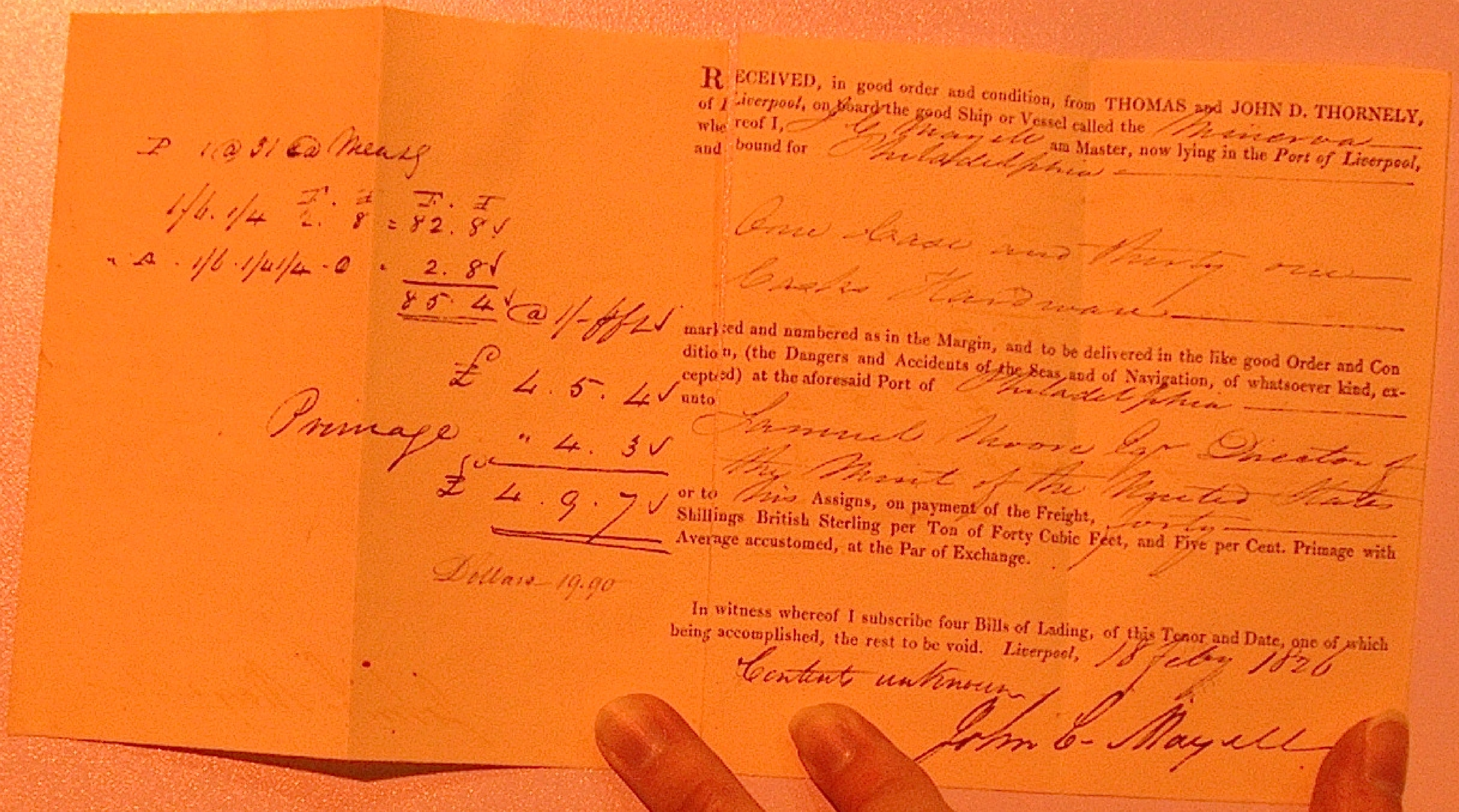
I was yesterday honored with yours of the 5th ~~on the subject of~~ certain foreign coins mentioned in a Resolution of the Senate, ~~and should~~ have acknowledged it by return of Mail ~~[illegible]~~ had I not hoped by this time to be able to inform you of the result of the Turkish coins referred to. ~~The subject~~ My immediate attention ~~to the~~ determination of their value and immediately took measures to procure ~~the~~ specimens of the gold & silver ~~requisite~~ specimens of ~~such~~ ~~coins~~ ~~requisite to determine this value~~ of Brazil ~~P~~ Peru Chili and Mexico — ~~the assays [illegible] will be made~~ As soon as the requisite ~~[illegible]~~ numbers & varieties can be obtained, the assays will be made and ~~&~~ the result communicated to you —

~~I have to regret that~~ The Turkish gold coins are not yet recd — ~~I delayed~~

applying to you by return of Mail in
the hope of being able ~~by~~ at this time to advise
you of their ~~[illegible]~~ being at hand — They will
be very important to the determination of
the value of the Piastre if their value in
that denomination can be ascertained — They
will probably ~~be here tomorrow~~ I shall expect
~~it if any~~ — They will probably be here tomorrow
unless it has been thought expedient to ~~[illegible]~~
wait for a private conveyance for them —
~~I presume they could be very~~ ~~safely~~ safely sent by
~~mail~~.

Very respectfully,
Your obt Servt
Saml Moore

No. 30 To Mr.
J. Smith.
March 9. 1826
1223



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F. I F. I
1/6.1/4 2. 8 = 82. 8✓
A. 1/6.1/4 1/4 . 0 . 2. 8✓
85. 4✓ @ 1/- ff✓
£ 4. 5. 4✓
Primage " 4. 3✓
£ 4. 9. 7✓

Dollars 19.90

RECEIVED, in good order and condition, from THOMAS and JOHN D. THORNELY, of *Liverpool*, on board the good Ship or Vessel called the Minerva whereof I, J. C. Mayell am Master, now lying in the *Port of Liverpool*, and bound for Philadelphia

One case and thirty one Casks Hardware

marked and numbered as in the Margin, and to be delivered in the like good Order and Condition, (the Dangers and Accidents of the Seas and of Navigation, of whatsoever kind, excepted) at the aforesaid Port of Philadelphia unto Samuel Moore Esqr Director of the Mint of the United States or to his Assigns, on payment of the Freight, forty Shillings British Sterling per Ton of Forty Cubic Feet, and Five per Cent. Primage with Average accustomed, at the Par of Exchange.

In witness whereof I subscribe four Bills of Lading, of this Tenor and Date, one of which being accomplished, the rest to be void. *Liverpool*, 18 feby 1826

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John C. Mayell

3/3 303

Birmingham 12th Feby 1826

Invoice of One Case of Steel, One Cask of Files, and Thirty Casks of Copper Planchetts, purchas'd on account and risk of Saml. Moore Esqr. Director of the Mint, Philadelphia and consigned to the care of Messrs. J & S D Thornely Liverpool

P
X 1

24 doz "Hides" 14 In. Cast Steel single Cut Files, bound at point to order } 27/ 26 8 .

20% 5 5 7 . 21 2 5

Cask & of Carriage to Liverpool 1/9 1 3 .

22 5 5

X 2 a 31

	Gross Weight c q lb oz	Tare lb oz	Nett c q lb
2	3 - 2 - 11 - 12	11 - 12	3 - 2 -
3	3 - 2 - 12 - 8	12 - 8	3 - 2 -
4	3 - 2 - 18 - 12	11 - 12	3 - 2 - 7
5	3 - 1 - 11 - 8	11 - 8	3 - 1 -
6	3 - 1 - 12 - 4	12 - 4	3 - 1 -
7	3 - 1 - 26 - 8	12 - 8	3 - 1 - 14
8	3 - 1 - 12 - 4	12 - 4	3 - 1 -
9	3 - 1 - 26 - 4	12 - 4	3 - 1 - 14
10	3 - 2 - 12 -	12 -	3 - 2 -
11	3 - 2 - 18 - 12	11 - 12	3 - 2 - 7
12	3 - 1 - 25 - 12	11 - 12	3 - 1 - 14
13	3 - 1 - 12 - 8	12 - 8	3 - 1 -
14	3 - 1 - 27 -	13 -	3 - 1 - 14
15	3 - 1 - 25 - 12	13 -	3 - 1 - 12
16	3 - 1 - 27 -	13 -	3 - 1 - 14
17	3 - 1 - 25 - 12	11 - 12	3 - 1 - 14
18	3 - 1 - 26 - 8	12 - 8	3 - 1 - 14
19	3 - 1 - 26 -	12 -	3 - 1 - 14
20	3 - 2 - 12 - 8	12 - 8	3 - 2 -
21	3 - 1 - 12 -	12 -	3 - 1 -
22	3 - 1 - 25 - 12	11 - 12	3 - 1 - 14
23	3 - 1 - 12 - 8	12 - 8	3 - 1 -
24	3 - 1 - 11 - 8	11 - 8	3 - 1 -
	Carrd. forward		77 - 2 -

	Brought forward		77 - 2 - 0				
	c q lb oz	lb oz	c q lb				
25	3 - 2 - 12 - 4	13 - 4	3 - 2 -				
26	3 - 1 - 12	12 -	3 - 1 -				
27	3 - 1 - 19 - 8	12 - 8	3 - 1 - 7				
28	3 - 1 - 19 -	12 -	3 - 1 - 7				
29	3 - 1 - 26 - 8	12 - 8	3 - 1 - 14				
30	3 - 1 - 26 - 8	12 - 8	3 - 1 - 14				
31	3 - 1 - 25 - 8	11 - 8	3 - 1 - 14				
			101 - 0 - 0	1/4¾ ℔	759	9	8
32 Casks 4/9		10/6	Freight to Liverpool 20/		15	14	6
					805	4	2

N A

Naylor & Sanders best refined Steel	1⅜ In square	1 - 0 - 23			
	1⅜ In	0 - 2 - 22			
	1⅛ In	0 - 2 - 21			
	1¼ In	0 - 3 - 9			
		3 - 2 - 19 78/	14	9	11
Case &c 13/	Carriage to Liverpool 14/		1	7	-
			15	16	11

Brought forward amount of Cask X 1					22	5	5
Planchetts X 25 @ 31					805	4	2
Steel Case No A					15	16	11
					843	6	6
Insurance on £874-0-0 @ 30/ p%	13	2	3				
Export Duty on £843-0-0 @ 1/ p%	4	4	4				
Policy 5/ Bills of Lading 2/6	2	17	6				
Cartage Porterage & Storage	4	12	-				
Dock & Town Dues	-	17	6				
Commission forwarding 90/ Postage 4/6	4	14	6		30	8	1
				£	873	14	7

Errors Excepted

Wm Harrold & Son

Birmingham Feby 19th 1826

Saml Moore Esqr

Sir

We annex an Invoice of the first part of the Planchetts to your esteemed order. Having spared no pains in the manufacture & having had better Copper than usual, we can confidently [illegible] that these are (if possible) a better lot than we ever made, & they are charged as low as the present high price of copper will admit of. The files & Steel we are assured by the respective makers are of the best quality, & we hope it may prove so; the steel we were anxious to put in a box as it would preserve it.

The remainder of the Planchetts will be ready in about a month.

We are Sir

respectfully

Your Obliged & Obedient Servants

Wm Harrold & Son

Office of Bank U States
Washn Aug 17. 1826

Samuel Moore Esq
at the U States Mint —

Sir

Your letter of ulto, requesting such information as I may be able to communicate, respecting the foreign coins which may have passed under my observation, was received a few days ago — I hasten to give the answers to your several questions, as precisely as I can —

1 — The Gold coins of Great Britain, France & Spain & Portugal are received by the Banks in this District — The list enclosed, will shew the dates of such as are now in Bank — But little foreign Gold of any kind, circulates in this place —

2d — All Gold coins are received at the same rate here as they are at the Mint — The Doubloons of Spain, pass current at $15\frac{50}{100}$ to $15\frac{75}{100}$ each — None of the Gold coins of Spanish America, nor of Brazil, have appeared at this office —

3 — The foreign Silver Coins in circulation in this District, are those of France, Spain & Mexico — Their dates are particularly noted

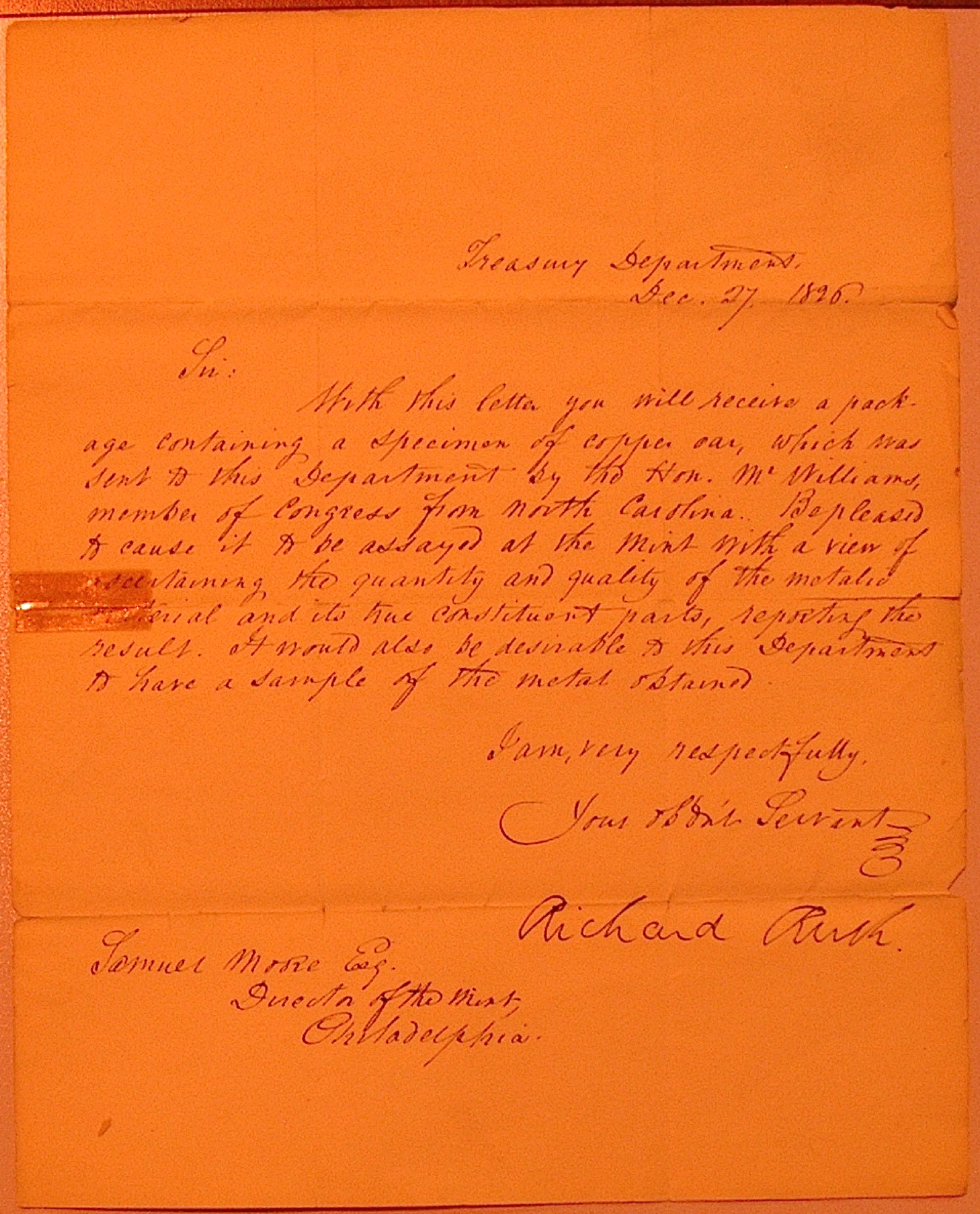
in the enclosed list —

4 Spanish milled dollars pass at the rate of 100 cents, & the parts thereof at that rate, without reference to their weight — Pistareens & parts thereof are seldom seen — The dollars of the new Government, or American are received at the same rate as the Spanish milled dollars —

5 There are no silver coins of either Portugale or Brazil, in circulation here —

I would remark in conclusion, that we have but few foreign coins of any kind on hand at present; & I have not paid that attention to the subject, when they were more current, to enable me to give you all the information which you wish —

I am Sir, Very respectfully
Your obt Servt
R P Mulkey



Treasury Department.
Dec. 27. 1826.

Sir:

With this letter you will receive a package containing a specimen of copper ore, which was sent to this Department by the Hon. Mc Williams, member of Congress from North Carolina. Be pleased to cause it to be assayed at the Mint with a view of ascertaining the quantity and quality of the metalic material and its true constituent parts, reporting the result. It would also be desirable to this Department to have a sample of the metal obtained.

I am, very respectfully.
Your obd't Servant
Richard Rush.

Samuel Moore Esq.
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia.

Mint of the U States

Philad. Dec. 29. 1806

Sir

~~The packet of containing [illegible] the ore~~ refer

Your letter of the of the 29 & the packet of ore refered to therein are come to hand this Morning. As soon as the immediate pressing ~~[illegible]~~ engagements which attend the closing of the operations for the year will ~~admit the~~ ~~Examination of these will be examined by~~ Affer of the attention ~~Office [illegible]~~ permit your wishes in relation to ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ examination ~~[illegible] attention will be the~~ careful attention [illegible] result of the examination with a specimen of the [illegible] will be forwarded ~~[illegible]~~ to the Department ~~[illegible]~~ according to your ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ desire

~~Your~~ [illegible] Servant

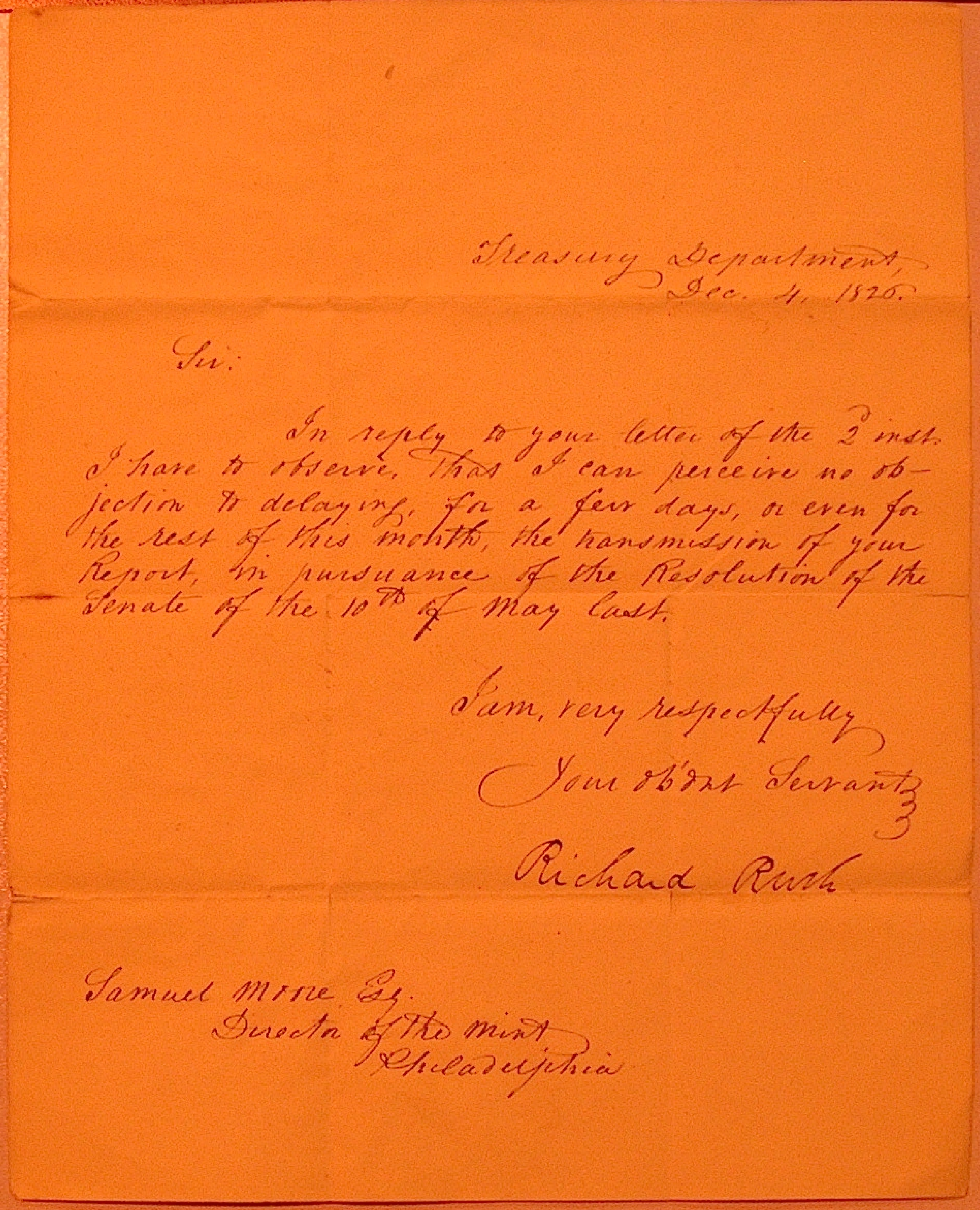
be completed & [illegible] at a distance over [illegible] ground —

No. 34
To Sec. Treasury
Decr 29. 1826
respecting sample
of Copper Ore
1242

[illegible]
2 Oz. mineral [illegible]
[illegible]
yield [illegible] 10 9

page 568 of [illegible]

I have the honour to transmit herewith the Assay
Report on ~~for~~ [illegible] under the Resolution of Senate of May 10th last
which I hope may be ~~[illegible]~~ satisfactory
It has been delayed since the last specimens were in possession longer than
I anticipated by the ~~number of several calculations required~~ and
the investigation has been extended to all the forms of which
specimens could be procured ~~[illegible]~~ to all the points
contemplated by the ~~terms~~ spirit of the Resolution & [illegible]
has not been wanting to procure useful facts pertinent to the subject from [illegible]
the [illegible] of calculation and to all the points [illegible] to be embraced by the
spirit of the Resolution. [illegible] attention has not been wanting to
procure useful facts from authentic ~~sources~~ with [illegible] care —
The Report has been delayed since the reception of the last expected specimens some
days longer than I had ~~[illegible]~~ anticipated. The calculations are numerous & minute & the [illegible]
of the [illegible] were found to have some perplexing points [illegible] the tables are [illegible]



Treasury Department,
Dec. 4. 1826.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 2d inst. I have to observe, that I can perceive no objection to delaying, for a few days, or even for the rest of this month, the transmission of your Report, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Senate of the 10th of May last.

I am, very respectfully
Your obdt Servant
Richard Rush

Samuel Moore Esq.
Director of the mint
Philadelphia

Office Bank United States
Savannah 9th August 1826

Saml Moore Esqr
Director of the Mint
Sir

Annexed I hand you a Copy of my letter to the Hon. the Secty of the Treasury of this date enclosing a Return of the Gold & Silver Coins in Circulation, in Conformity with your letter of the 30th June last, I also enclose a Copy of said Return. I am with much Respect

Your Obed. Servt
J. Hunter
Cashr

(Copy)

Office Bank United States
Savannah 9th Augt 1826

Hon Richard Rush
Secy of the Treasury

Sir

At the request of Samuel Moore Esq Director of the Mint at Philadelphia I have the honor of handing you the enclosed return (the proforma furnished by Mr Moore) of the Gold and Silver Coins in Circulation in this place.

I regret that the limited variety of Gold and Silver Coins in circulation in this quarter of the Union should render the report so little calculated to aid in the important subject under consideration, and have to request you will receive it as an evidence of my desire to furnish all the information within my reach, which permit me to observe will at all times afford me much pleasure to do.

I am Sir Very Respectfully
Your Obt Servt.
J Hunter
Cashr.

Mint of the U States

Phila. July 6. 1826

Sir,

I ~~[illegible]~~ forward herewith the letters to the Cashiers of the diff.t Branches of U.S. Bank who are among the ~~[illegible]~~ persons whose answers on a ~~[illegible]~~ variety of points relative to ~~the~~ the coinage of foreign gold & silver coins I wish to obtain. ~~[illegible]~~ Please to ~~[illegible] the [illegible] of your franks~~ allow them to be ~~[illegible]~~ transmitted under your frank. ~~[illegible]~~ occasionally I shall forward ~~[illegible]~~ packets with the same view, addressed to other individuals in diff.t ~~[illegible]~~ U.S. sections of the Union

Yours respectfully

Your obed. Serv.t

Hon. Richard Rush

Saml Moore

No. 41
To
Secy Navy
July 6. 1826
1241

Mr Parker
incl. the [illegible]
with Extracts of the
[illegible]
of the U S Senate
relative to the subject
of the [illegible]
of Senate on

Treasury Department
May 31, 1826

Sir

On the 10th of the present month, the Senate of the United States passed a Resolution requesting the President to cause an assay to be made of the Gold and Silver Coins of foreign nations circulating in the United States. A copy of this Resolution is enclosed, and I have to request that, after assays shall have been made of the said coins, you will transmit to this Department a detailed Report of the result, in reference to the several points embraced in the Resolution.

You will also be pleased to transmit the Report in time to be laid before the Senate during the first week of the next Session of Congress. Full confidence is felt that it will, as far as may be found practicable, embrace every thing called for by terms and spirit of the Senate's Resolution.

I am Sir, respectfully,
Your most obdt Servant
Richard Rush.

Samuel Moore Esq.
Director of the Mint
Philada.

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2-3915

Mint of the United States

Philada. April 18. 1826

Sir

I have the honour to inform you that the remaining specimen of the copper ore of the Honl. Mr Taliaferro has been examined after a considerable delay arising at first from ~~the state~~ an indisposition of Mr Cloud ~~health~~ and subsequently from ~~the indisposition~~ that of one of the principal hands in the Melting room. It is found to contain 3 1/10 per cent of copper on an average of the Mass pulverised together.

Having been requested by ~~him~~ Mr Taliaferro to give an opinion as to the probability of such ore being advantageously worked I have communicated to him directly the result of this ~~examination~~ trial with such remarks as seemed to me most likely to be useful & forwarded therewith a sample of the copper obtained.

I have the honour to be
With great respect
Your obt servt
Saml Moore

Hon Richard Rush
Secy Treasury

Mint of the U States
Philad^a Mar 10. 1826

Sir

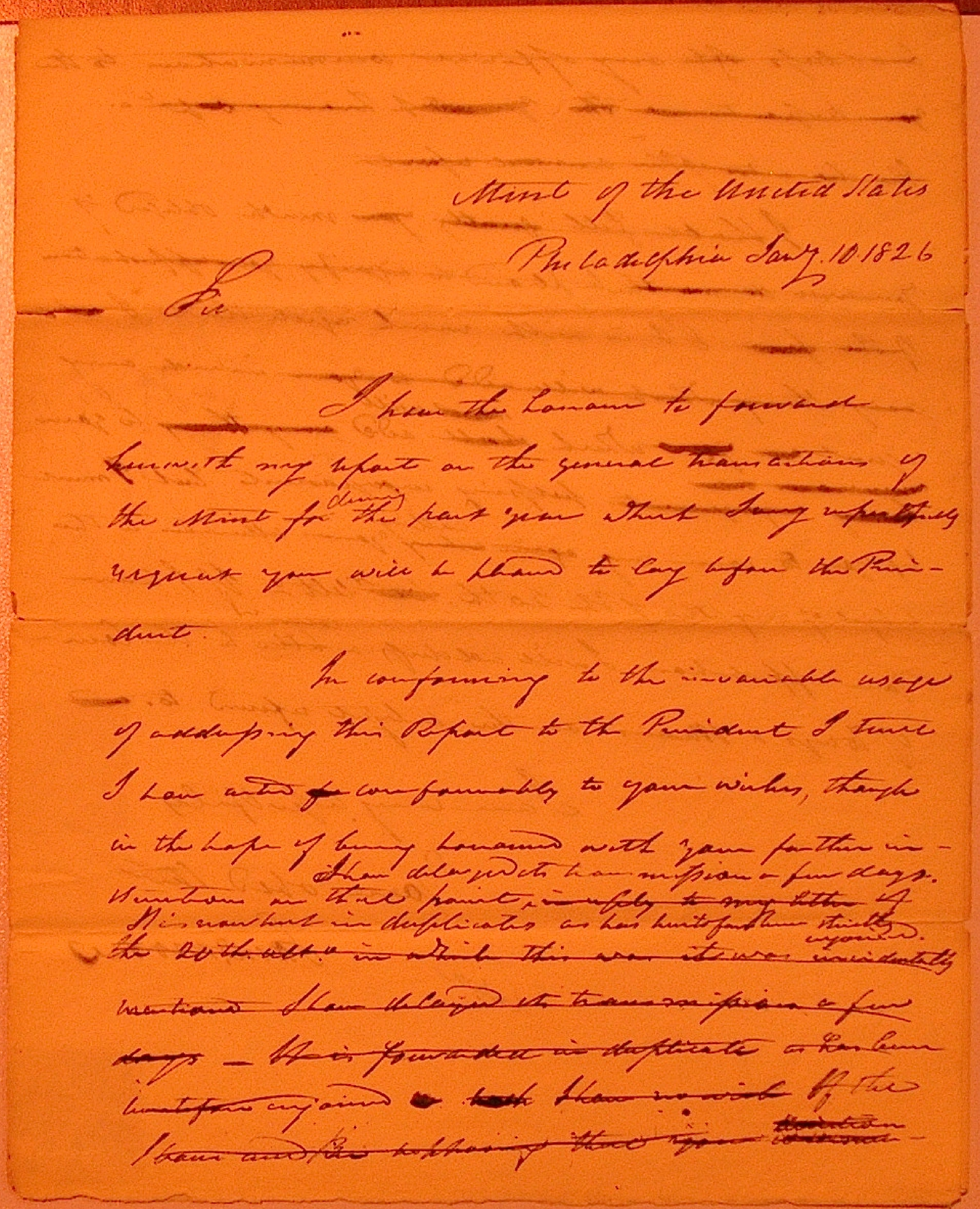
I have the honour to acknowledge the rec^t. of yours of the 7th, the inclosure containing three ~~five~~ Turkish coins. The assay of them will be made ~~tomorrow~~ with the least as soon as practicable. ~~&~~ I hope to be able on monday or tuesday next to report ~~to you~~ the result. ~~A Communication has been rec^d. from Gen^l Smith of the Sen. Chairman of the Com. of Finance of the Senate~~

I am very respectfully,

Your ob^t. Serv^t.

Sam^l Moore

Hon^l. Richard Rush
Sec. of the Treasury



Mint of the United States
Philadelphia Jany. 10 1826

Sir

I have the honour to forward herewith my report on the general transactions of the Mint for during the past year which I very respectfully request you will be pleased to lay before the President.

In conforming to the invariable usage of addressing this Report to the President I trust I have acted ~~for~~ conformably to your wishes, though in the hope of being honoured with your further in-
I have delayed its transmission a few days.
structions on that point, ~~in reply to my letter of~~
It is now sent in duplicate as has heretofore been strictly enjoined.
~~the 20th ult. in which this was it was incidentally~~
~~mentioned I have delayed the transmission a few~~
~~days — It is forwarded in duplicate as has been~~
~~heretofore enjoined~~ ~~but~~ ~~I have no wish~~ of the
~~I have and be withdrawing that you~~ ~~hesitation~~ ~~[illegible]~~-

~~address officers my official communication~~ to the ~~Department~~ ~~the~~ ~~Secretary of Treasury Dept~~ a. ~~the character of the annual report~~

~~I shall feel greatly~~ ~~[illegible]~~ much obliged if you will ~~be much [illegible] pleased to signify your approbation~~ ~~of the favor~~ It is with much regret that I ~~ask~~ ~~anything which will add to your~~ without any ~~request~~ ~~[illegible]~~ which ~~shall~~ will add ~~anything~~ to your ~~heavy~~ ~~employment~~ pressing engagements but I must beg you to cause my ~~again~~ ~~asking~~ calling your attention to the subject of my letter of the 20th. ~~Inst~~ ult. If I have your approbation I will address a ~~letter~~ commun to the Committee of Ways & Means on the subject referred to. ~~and~~

I am very respectfully

Your obed Ser

Saml. Moore

To Secy of the Treasury Jan 1826 No 26

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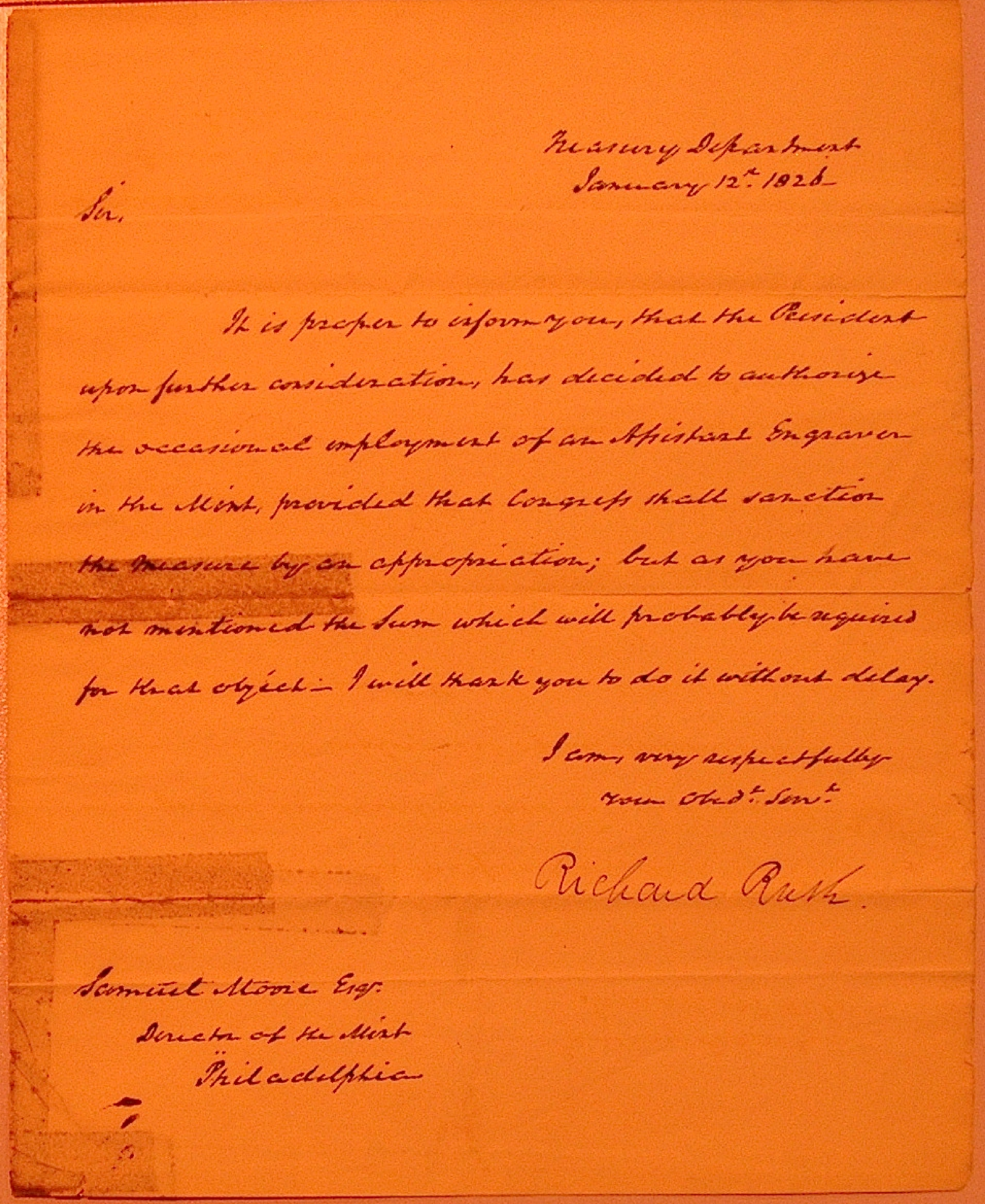


Treasury Department
January 12th 1828

Sir,

It is proper to inform you, that the President upon further consideration, has decided to authorize the occasional employment of an Aſsistant Engraver in the Mint, provided that Congreſs shall sanction the Measure by an appropriation; but as you have not mentioned the sum which will probably be required for that object – I will thank you to do it without delay.

I am, very respectfully
Your Obedt. Servt.

Richard Rush.

Samuel Moore Esqr.
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

To No 27
Secy of the Treasy
Jany 14. 1826
1238

Mint of the United States
Philada. Jany. 14. 1826

Sir

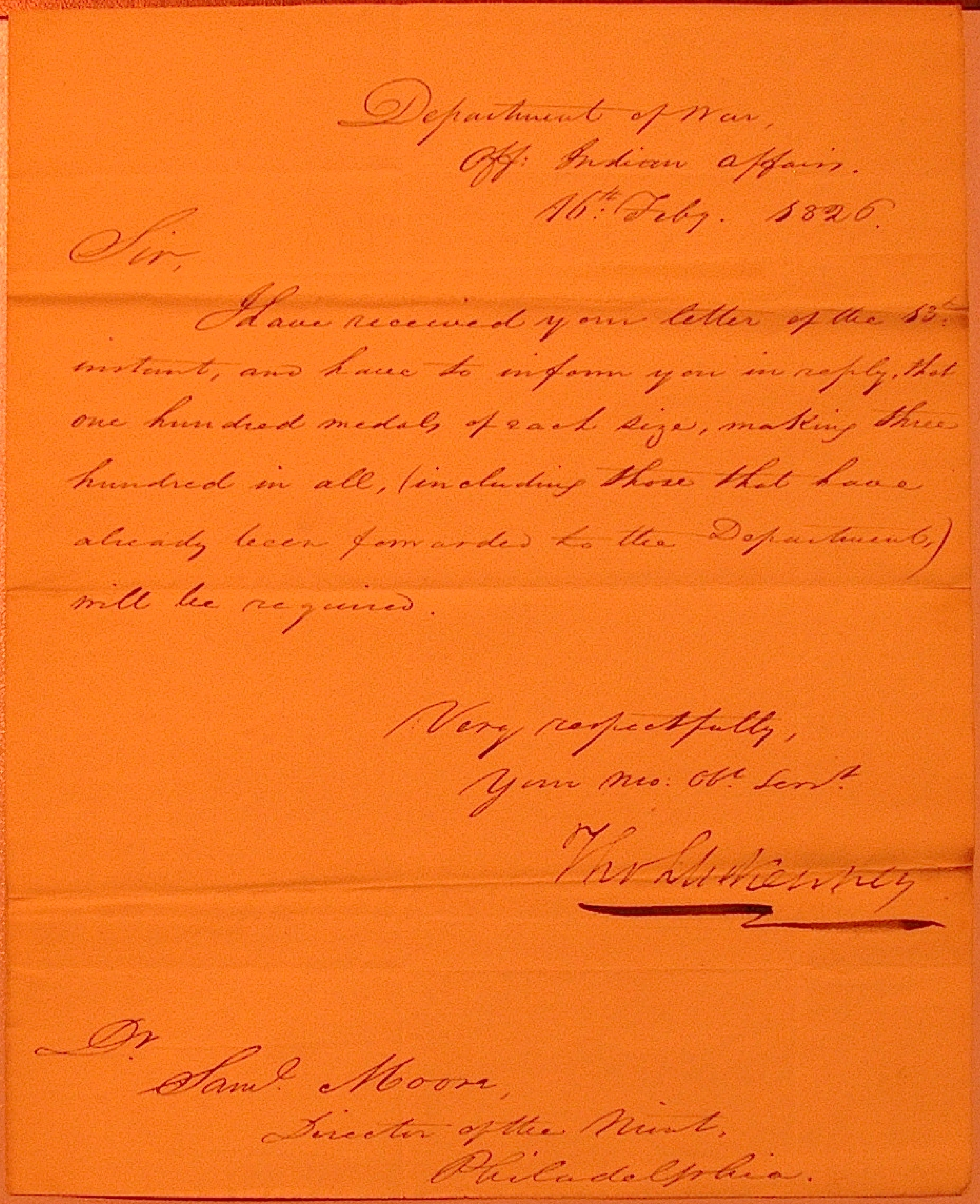
I was last evening favoured with your letter of the 12th. communicating the decision of the President relative to the occasional employment of an Assistant Engraver and requesting me to name the sum which will probably be required for the object.

The sum paid to the last Assistant Engraver ~~employed here~~ was six hundred dollars. It is not probable that a compensation, much, ~~if any~~, less, would be adequate and I therefore name that precise sum. If the requisite services can be secured for less the whole will not be applied. ~~I do not mean this to be in addition~~ ~~I do not propose this to be in addition~~ ~~[illegible]~~ — I do not ~~mean this to~~ propose this sum in addition to the ~~approp~~ item for ~~[illegible]~~ for the wages of persons employed in the different operations of the Mint but to be included in the sum of $9400 under that head. In all instances in which the compensation of assistant artists has been named in ~~the~~ appropriation Bills it has been included in that item — for examples ~~[illegible]~~ of present one [illegible] upon to the appropriations for the Mint from 1809 to 1816 —

I beg leave to ~~express~~ offer to the President my respectful acknowledgments for his assent to the measure proposed in the event of the appropriation being made by Congress of which under the circumstances I entertain a confident hope

I have the honour to be
With great respect
Your Obed. Servt.
Sam. Moore

Hon. Richd. Rush
Secretary of the Treasury



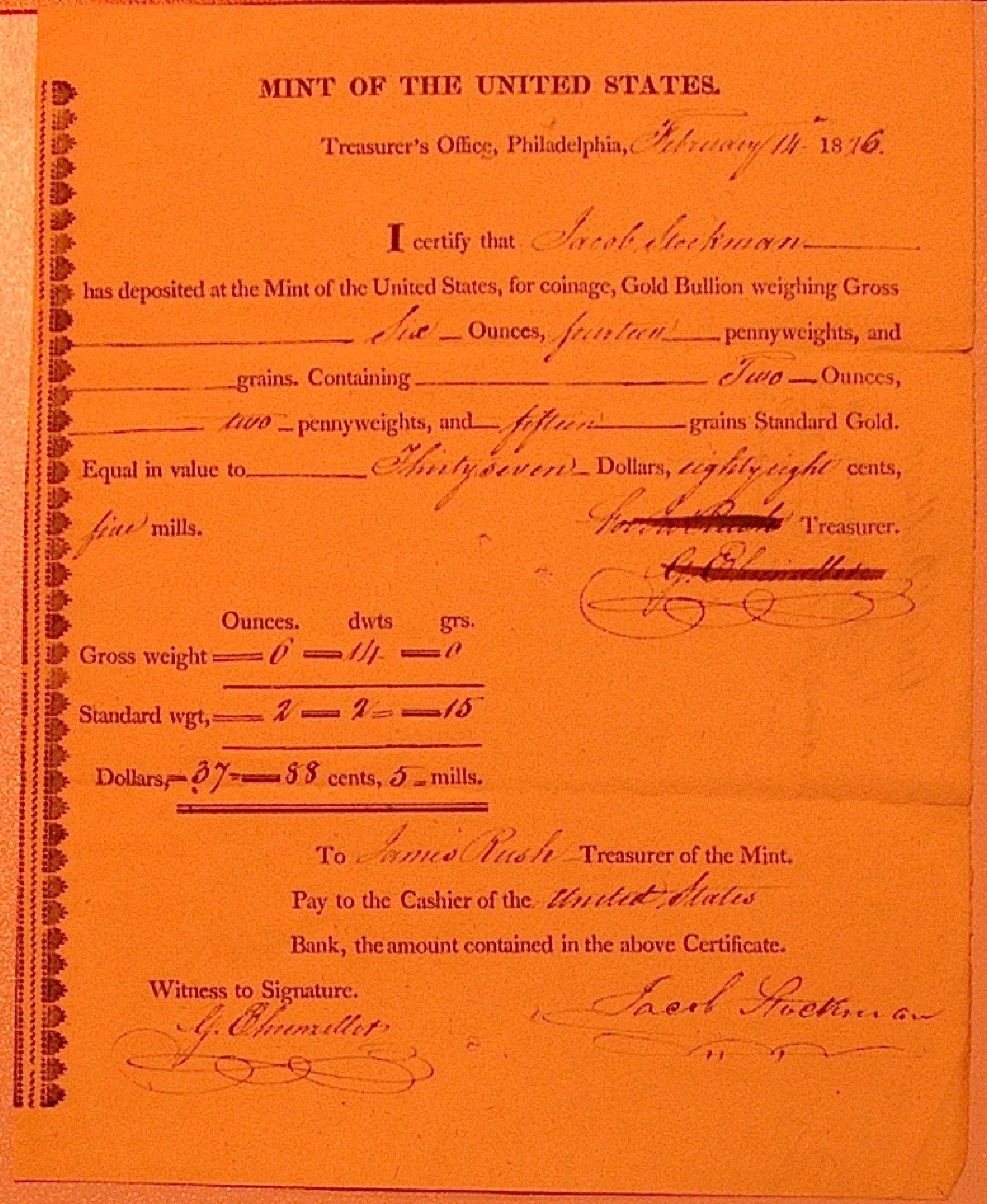
Department of War,
Off: Indian affairs.
16th Feby. 1826.

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 13th instant, and have to inform you in reply, that one hundred medals of each size, making three hundred in all, (including those that have already been forwarded to the Department) will be required.

Very respectfully,
Your mo: Obt. Servt.
Thos L McKenney

Dr. Saml. Moore,
Director of the Mint,
Philadelphia.



MINT OF THE UNITED STATES.

Treasurer's Office, Philadelphia, February 14th 1836.

I certify that Jacob Stockman has deposited at the Mint of the United States, for coinage, Gold Bullion weighing Gross Six Ounces, fourteen pennyweights, and grains. Containing Two Ounces, two pennyweights, and fifteen grains Standard Gold. Equal in value to Thirty seven Dollars, eighty eight cents, five mills.

[illegible] Treasurer.

~~G. Ehrenzeller~~

	Ounces.	dwts	grs.
Gross weight	6	14	0
Standard wgt,	2	2	15

Dollars, 37 — 88 cents, 5 mills.

To James Rush Treasurer of the Mint.

Pay to the Cashier of the United States

Bank, the amount contained in the above Certificate.

Witness to Signature.

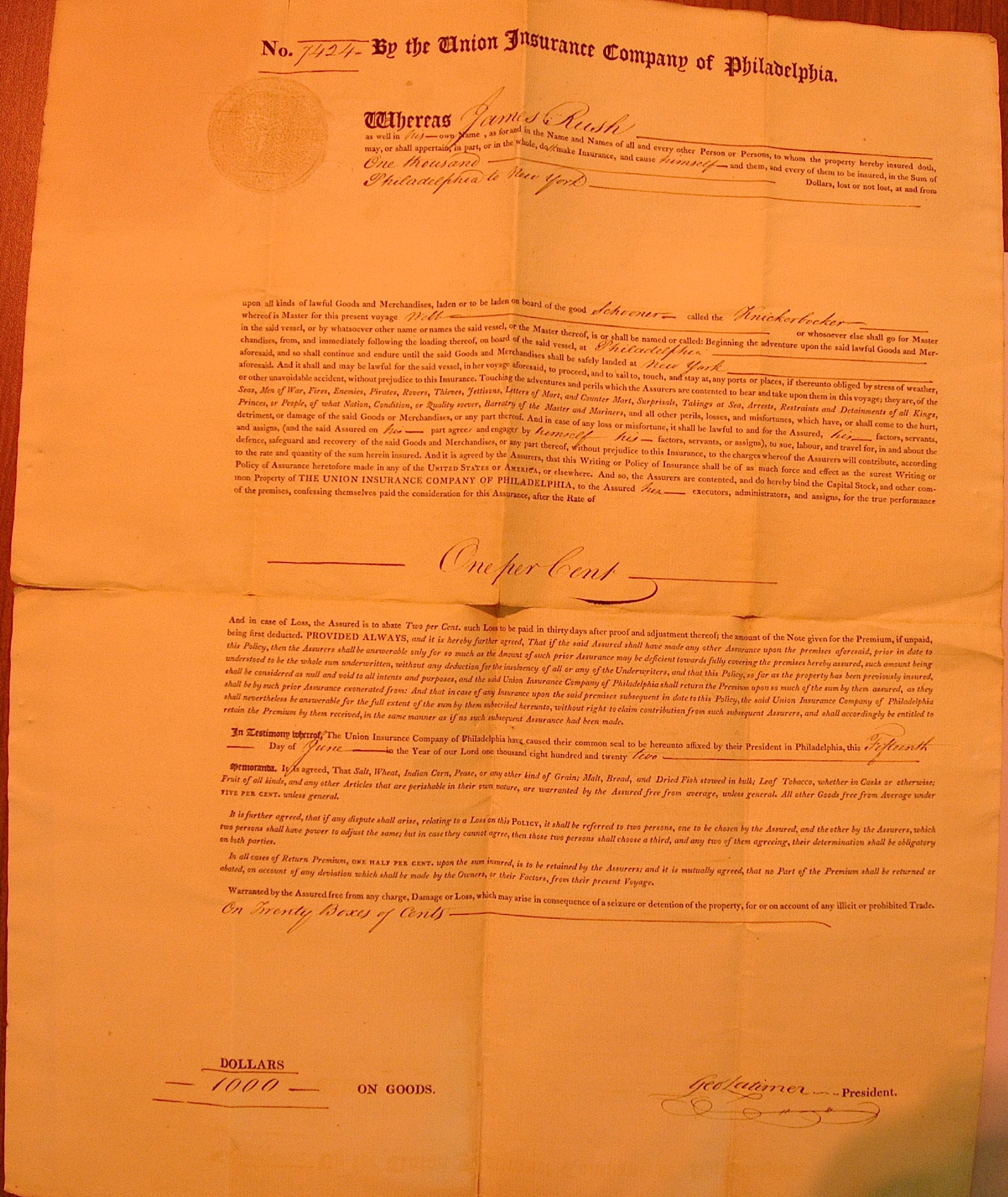
G. Ehrenzeller

Jacob Stockman

Gold Bullion

Dollars = 37.88½
deduct for refining .18½

D^o 37.70



No. 7424- By the Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia.

Whereas James Rush
as well in his — own Name , as for and in the Name and Names of all and every other Person or Persons, to whom the property hereby insured doth,
may, or shall appertain, in part, or in the whole, doth make Insurance, and cause himself — and them, and every of them to be insured, in the Sum of
One thousand — Dollars, lost or not lost, at and from
Philadelphia to New York

upon all kinds of lawful Goods and Merchandises, laden or to be laden on board of the good Schooner — called the Knickerbocker —
whereof is Master for this present voyage Webb — or whosoever else shall go for Master
in the said vessel, or by whatsoever other name or names the said vessel, or the Master thereof, is or shall be named or called: Beginning the adventure upon the said lawful Goods and Merchandises, from, and immediately following the loading thereof, on board of the said vessel, at Philadelphia
aforesaid, and so shall continue and endure until the said Goods and Merchandises shall be safely landed at New York
aforesaid. And it shall and may be lawful for the said vessel, in her voyage aforesaid, to proceed, and to sail to, touch, and stay at, any ports or places, if thereunto obliged by stress of weather, or other unavoidable accident, without prejudice to this Insurance. Touching the adventures and perils which the Assurers are contented to bear and take upon them in this voyage; they are, of the *Seas, Men of War, Fires, Enemies, Pirates, Rovers, Thieves, Jettisons, Letters of Mart, and Counter Mart, Surprisals, Takings at Sea, Arrests, Restraints and Detainments of all Kings, Princes, or People, of what Nation, Condition, or Quality soever, Barratry of the Master and Mariners,* and all other perils, losses, and misfortunes, which have, or shall come to the hurt, detriment, or damage of the said Goods or Merchandises, or any part thereof. And in case of any loss or misfortune, it shall be lawful to and for the Assured, his — factors, servants, and assigns, (and the said Assured on his — part agrees and engages by himself his — factors, servants, or assigns), to sue, labour, and travel for, in and about the defence, safeguard and recovery of the said Goods and Merchandises, or any part thereof, without prejudice to this Insurance, to the charges whereof the Assurers will contribute, according to the rate and quantity of the sum herein insured. And it is agreed by the Assurers, that this Writing or Policy of Insurance shall be of as much force and effect as the surest Writing or Policy of Assurance heretofore made in any of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, or elsewhere. And so, the Assurers are contented, and do hereby bind the Capital Stock, and other common Property of THE UNION INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA, to the Assured his — executors, administrators, and assigns, for the true performance of the premises, confessing themselves paid the consideration for this Assurance, after the Rate of

One per Cent

And in case of Loss, the Assured is to abate *Two per Cent.* such Loss to be paid in thirty days after proof and adjustment thereof; the amount of the Note given for the Premium, if unpaid, being first deducted. PROVIDED ALWAYS, *and it is hereby further agreed, That if the said Assured shall have made any other Assurance upon the premises aforesaid, prior in date to this Policy, then the Assurers shall be answerable only for so much as the Amount of such prior Assurance may be deficient towards fully covering the premises hereby assured, such amount being understood to be the whole sum underwritten, without any deduction for the insolvency of all or any of the Underwriters, and that this Policy, so far as the property has been previously insured, shall be considered as null and void to all intents and purposes, and the said Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia shall return the Premium upon so much of the sum by them assured, as they shall be by such prior Assurance exonerated from: And that in case of any Insurance upon the said premises subsequent in date to this Policy, the said Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia shall nevertheless be answerable for the full extent of the sum by them subscribed hereunto, without right to claim contribution from such subsequent Assurers, and shall accordingly be entitled to retain the Premium by them received, in the same manner as if no such subsequent Assurance had been made.*

In Testimony whereof, The Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia have caused their common seal to be hereunto affixed by their President in Philadelphia, this Fifteenth — Day of June — in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two

Memoranda. It is agreed, That *Salt, Wheat, Indian Corn, Pease, or any other kind of Grain; Malt, Bread, and Dried Fish stowed in bulk; Leaf Tobacco, whether in Casks or otherwise; Fruit of all kinds, and any other Articles that are perishable in their own nature, are warranted by the Assured free from average, unless general. All other Goods free from Average under* FIVE PER CENT. *unless general.*

It is further agreed, that if any dispute shall arise, relating to a Loss on this POLICY, *it shall be referred to two persons, one to be chosen by the Assured, and the other by the Assurers, which two persons shall have power to adjust the same; but in case they cannot agree, then those two persons shall choose a third, and any two of them agreeing, their determination shall be obligatory on both parties.*

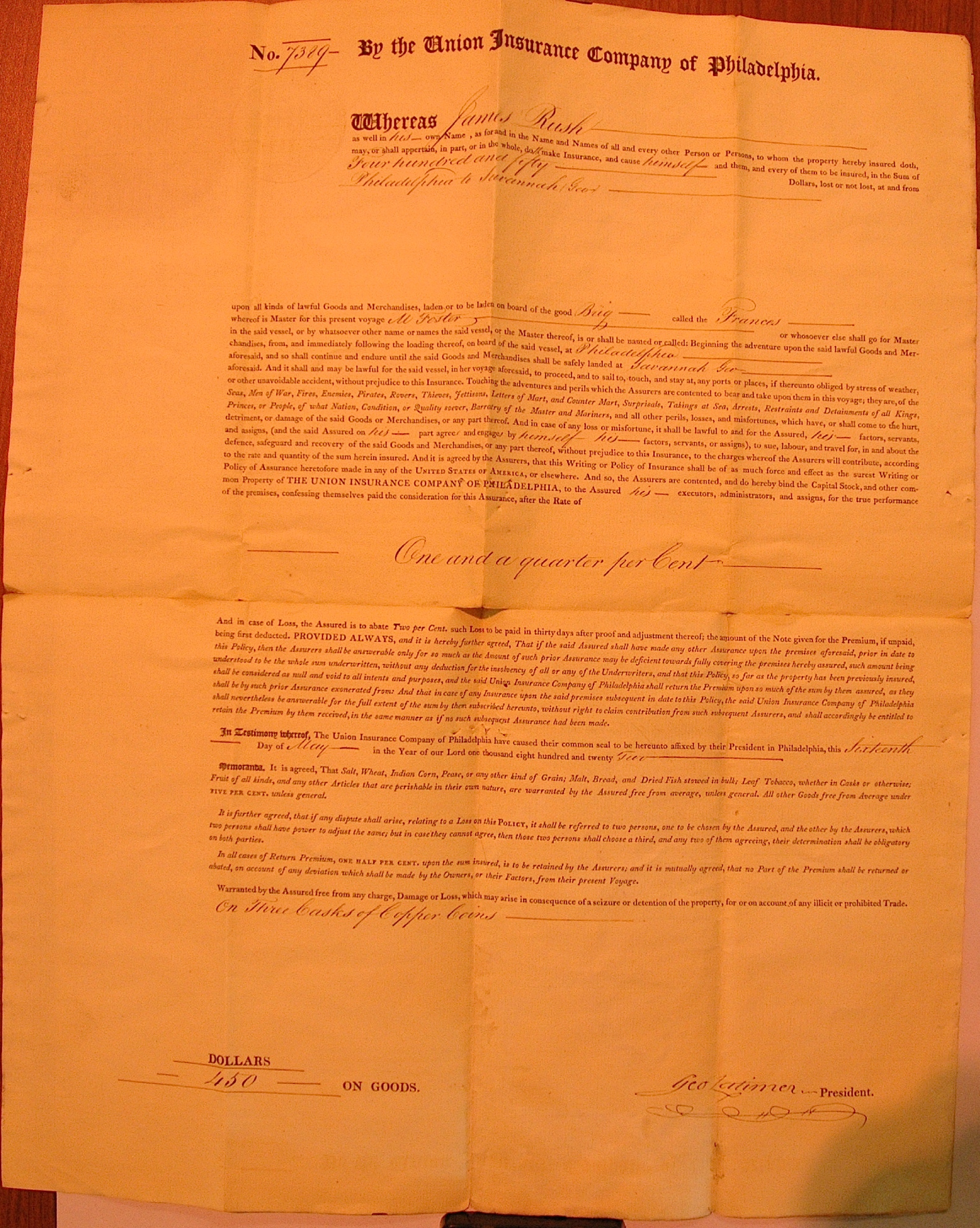
In all cases of Return Premium, ONE HALF PER CENT. *upon the sum insured, is to be retained by the Assurers; and it is mutually agreed, that no Part of the Premium shall be returned or abated, on account of any deviation which shall be made by the Owners, or their Factors, from their present Voyage.*

Warranted by the Assured free from any charge, Damage or Loss, which may arise in consequence of a seizure or detention of the property, for or on account of any illicit or prohibited Trade.

On Twenty Boxes of Cents

DOLLARS
— 1000 — ON GOODS.

Geo Latimer President.



No. 7389 By the Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia.

Whereas James Rush

as well in his own Name, as for and in the Name and Names of all and every other Person or Persons, to whom the property hereby insured doth, may, or shall appertain, in part, or in the whole, doth make Insurance, and cause himself and them, and every of them to be insured, in the Sum of Four hundred and fifty Dollars, lost or not lost, at and from Philadelphia to Savannah Geo.

upon all kinds of lawful Goods and Merchandises, laden or to be laden on board of the good Brig called the Frances whereof is Master for this present voyage M Foster or whosoever else shall go for Master in the said vessel, or by whatsoever other name or names the said vessel, or the Master thereof, is or shall be named or called: Beginning the adventure upon the said lawful Goods and Merchandises, from, and immediately following the loading thereof, on board of the said vessel, at Philadelphia aforesaid, and so shall continue and endure until the said Goods and Merchandises shall be safely landed at Savannah Geo aforesaid. And it shall and may be lawful for the said vessel, in her voyage aforesaid, to proceed, and to sail to, touch, and stay at, any ports or places, if thereunto obliged by stress of weather, or other unavoidable accident, without prejudice to this Insurance. Touching the adventures and perils which the Assurers are contented to bear and take upon them in this voyage; they are, of the *Seas, Men of War, Fires, Enemies, Pirates, Rovers, Thieves, Jettisons, Letters of Mart, and Counter Mart, Surprisals, Takings at Sea, Arrests, Restraints and Detainments of all Kings, Princes, or People, of what Nation, Condition, or Quality soever, Barratry of the Master and Mariners,* and all other perils, losses, and misfortunes, which have, or shall come to the hurt, detriment, or damage of the said Goods or Merchandises, or any part thereof. And in case of any loss or misfortune, it shall be lawful to and for the Assured, his factors, servants, and assigns, (and the said Assured on his part agrees and engages by himself his factors, servants, or assigns), to sue, labour, and travel for, in and about the defence, safeguard and recovery of the said Goods and Merchandises, or any part thereof, without prejudice to this Insurance, to the charges whereof the Assurers will contribute, according to the rate and quantity of the sum herein insured. And it is agreed by the Assurers, that this Writing or Policy of Insurance shall be of as much force and effect as the surest Writing or Policy of Assurance heretofore made in any of the United States of America, or elsewhere. And so, the Assurers are contented, and do hereby bind the Capital Stock, and other common Property of THE UNION INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA, to the Assured his executors, administrators, and assigns, for the true performance of the premises, confessing themselves paid the consideration for this Assurance, after the Rate of

One and a quarter per Cent

And in case of Loss, the Assured is to abate *Two per Cent.* such Loss to be paid in thirty days after proof and adjustment thereof; the amount of the Note given for the Premium, if unpaid, being first deducted. PROVIDED ALWAYS, *and it is hereby further agreed, That if the said Assured shall have made any other Assurance upon the premises aforesaid, prior in date to this Policy, then the Assurers shall be answerable only for so much as the Amount of such prior Assurance may be deficient towards fully covering the premises hereby assured, such amount being understood to be the whole sum underwritten, without any deduction for the insolvency of all or any of the Underwriters, and that this Policy, so far as the property has been previously insured, shall be considered as null and void to all intents and purposes, and the said Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia shall return the Premium upon so much of the sum by them assured, as they shall be by such prior Assurance exonerated from: And that in case of any Insurance upon the said premises subsequent in date to this Policy, the said Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia shall nevertheless be answerable for the full extent of the sum by them subscribed hereunto, without right to claim contribution from such subsequent Assurers, and shall accordingly be entitled to retain the Premium by them received, in the same manner as if no such subsequent Assurance had been made.*

In Testimony whereof, The Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia have caused their common seal to be hereunto affixed by their President in Philadelphia, this Sixteenth Day of May in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty Two

Memoranda. It is agreed, That *Salt, Wheat, Indian Corn, Pease, or any other kind of Grain; Malt, Bread, and Dried Fish stowed in bulk; Leaf Tobacco, whether in Casks or otherwise; Fruit of all kinds, and any other Articles that are perishable in their own nature, are warranted by the Assured free from average, unless general. All other Goods free from Average under* FIVE PER CENT. *unless general.*

It is further agreed, that if any dispute shall arise, relating to a Loss on this POLICY, *it shall be referred to two persons, one to be chosen by the Assured, and the other by the Assurers, which two persons shall have power to adjust the same; but in case they cannot agree, then those two persons shall choose a third, and any two of them agreeing, their determination shall be obligatory on both parties.*

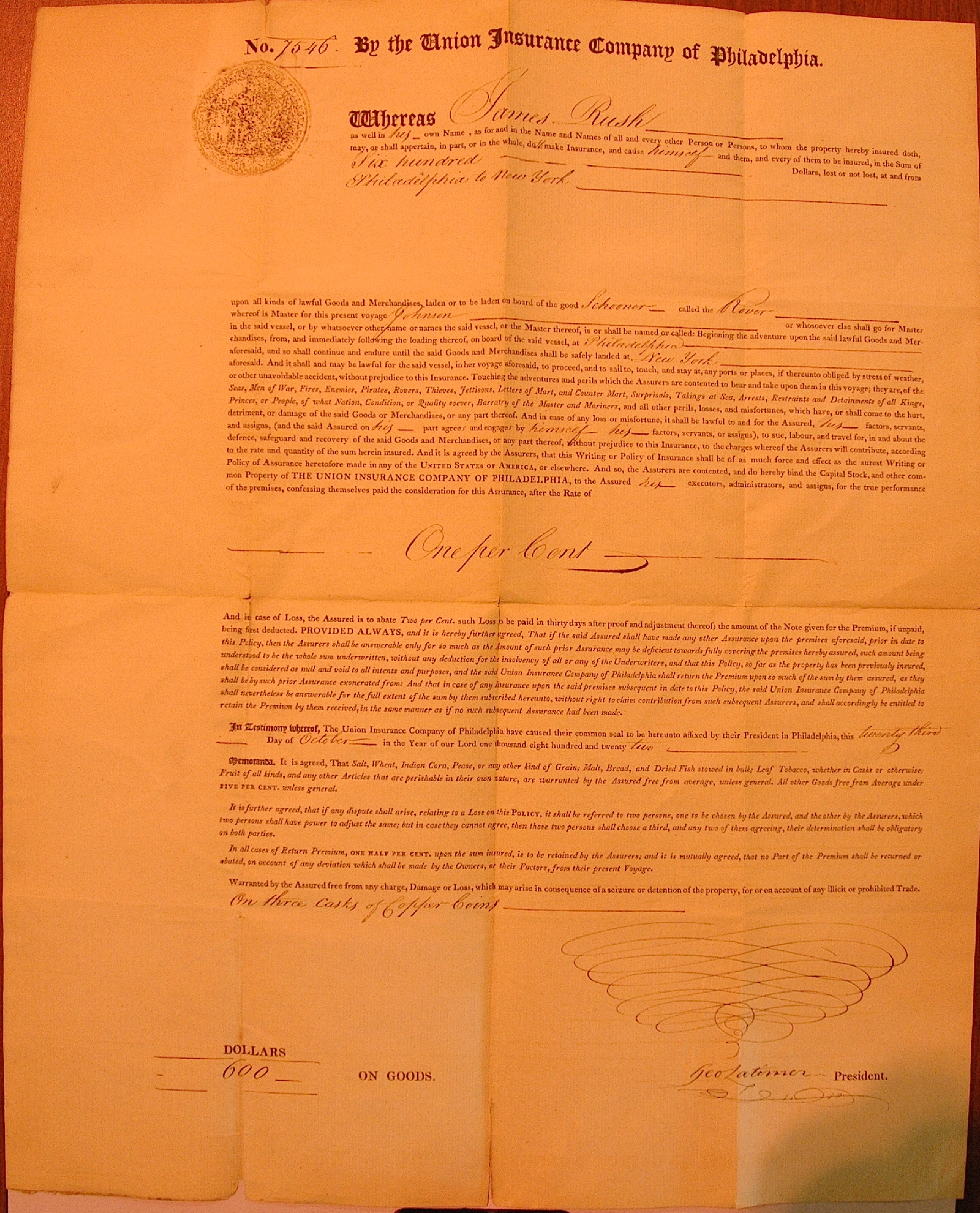
In all cases of Return Premium, ONE HALF PER CENT. *upon the sum insured, is to be retained by the Assurers; and it is mutually agreed, that no Part of the Premium shall be returned or abated, on account of any deviation which shall be made by the Owners, or their Factors, from their present Voyage.*

Warranted by the Assured free from any charge, Damage or Loss, which may arise in consequence of a seizure or detention of the property, for or on account of any illicit or prohibited Trade.

On Three Casks of Copper Coins

DOLLARS
450 ON GOODS.

Geo Latimer President.



No. 7546. **By the Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia.**

Whereas James Rush as well in his own Name, as for and in the Name and Names of all and every other Person or Persons, to whom the property hereby insured doth, may, or shall appertain, in part, or in the whole, doth make Insurance, and cause himself and them, and every of them to be insured, in the Sum of Six hundred Dollars, lost or not lost, at and from Philadelphia to New York

upon all kinds of lawful Goods and Merchandises, laden or to be laden on board of the good Schooner called the Rover whereof is Master for this present voyage Johnson or whosoever else shall go for Master in the said vessel, or by whatsoever other name or names the said vessel, or the Master thereof, is or shall be named or called: Beginning the adventure upon the said lawful Goods and Merchandises, from, and immediately following the loading thereof, on board of the said vessel, at Philadelphia aforesaid, and so shall continue and endure until the said Goods and Merchandises shall be safely landed at New York aforesaid. And it shall and may be lawful for the said vessel, in her voyage aforesaid, to proceed, and to sail to, touch, and stay at, any ports or places, if thereunto obliged by stress of weather, or other unavoidable accident, without prejudice to this Insurance. Touching the adventures and perils which the Assurers are contented to bear and take upon them in this voyage; they are, of the *Seas, Men of War, Fires, Enemies, Pirates, Rovers, Thieves, Jettisons, Letters of Mart, and Counter Mart, Surprisals, Takings at Sea, Arrests, Restraints and Detainments of all Kings, Princes, or People, of what Nation, Condition, or Quality soever, Barratry of the Master and Mariners,* and all other perils, losses, and misfortunes, which have, or shall come to the hurt, detriment, or damage of the said Goods or Merchandises, or any part thereof. And in case of any loss or misfortune, it shall be lawful to and for the Assured, his factors, servants, and assigns, (and the said Assured on his part agrees and engages by himself his factors, servants, or assigns), to sue, labour, and travel for, in and about the defence, safeguard and recovery of the said Goods and Merchandises, or any part thereof, without prejudice to this Insurance, to the charges whereof the Assurers will contribute, according to the rate and quantity of the sum herein insured. And it is agreed by the Assurers, that this Writing or Policy of Insurance shall be of as much force and effect as the surest Writing or Policy of Assurance heretofore made in any of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, or elsewhere. And so, the Assurers are contented, and do hereby bind the Capital Stock, and other common Property of THE UNION INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA, to the Assured his executors, administrators, and assigns, for the true performance of the premises, confessing themselves paid the consideration for this Assurance, after the Rate of

One per Cent

And in case of Loss, the Assured is to abate *Two per Cent.* such Loss to be paid in thirty days after proof and adjustment thereof; the amount of the Note given for the Premium, if unpaid, being first deducted. PROVIDED ALWAYS, *and it is hereby further agreed, That if the said Assured shall have made any other Assurance upon the premises aforesaid, prior in date to this Policy, then the Assurers shall be answerable only for so much as the Amount of such prior Assurance may be deficient towards fully covering the premises hereby assured, such amount being understood to be the whole sum underwritten, without any deduction for the insolvency of all or any of the Underwriters, and that this Policy, so far as the property has been previously insured, shall be considered as null and void to all intents and purposes, and the said Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia shall return the Premium upon so much of the sum by them assured, as they shall be by such prior Assurance exonerated from: And that in case of any Insurance upon the said premises subsequent in date to this Policy, the said Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia shall nevertheless be answerable for the full extent of the sum by them subscribed hereunto, without right to claim contribution from such subsequent Assurers, and shall accordingly be entitled to retain the Premium by them received, in the same manner as if no such subsequent Assurance had been made.*

In Testimony whereof, The Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia have caused their common seal to be hereunto affixed by their President in Philadelphia, this twenty third Day of October in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two

Memoranda. It is agreed, That *Salt, Wheat, Indian Corn, Pease, or any other kind of Grain; Malt, Bread, and Dried Fish stowed in bulk; Leaf Tobacco, whether in Casks or otherwise; Fruit of all kinds, and any other Articles that are perishable in their own nature, are warranted by the Assured free from average, unless general. All other Goods free from Average under* FIVE PER CENT. *unless general.*

It is further agreed, that if any dispute shall arise, relating to a Loss on this POLICY, *it shall be referred to two persons, one to be chosen by the Assured, and the other by the Assurers, which two persons shall have power to adjust the same; but in case they cannot agree, then those two persons shall choose a third, and any two of them agreeing, their determination shall be obligatory on both parties.*

In all cases of Return Premium, ONE HALF PER CENT. *upon the sum insured, is to be retained by the Assurers; and it is mutually agreed, that no Part of the Premium shall be returned or abated, on account of any deviation which shall be made by the Owners, or their Factors, from their present Voyage.*

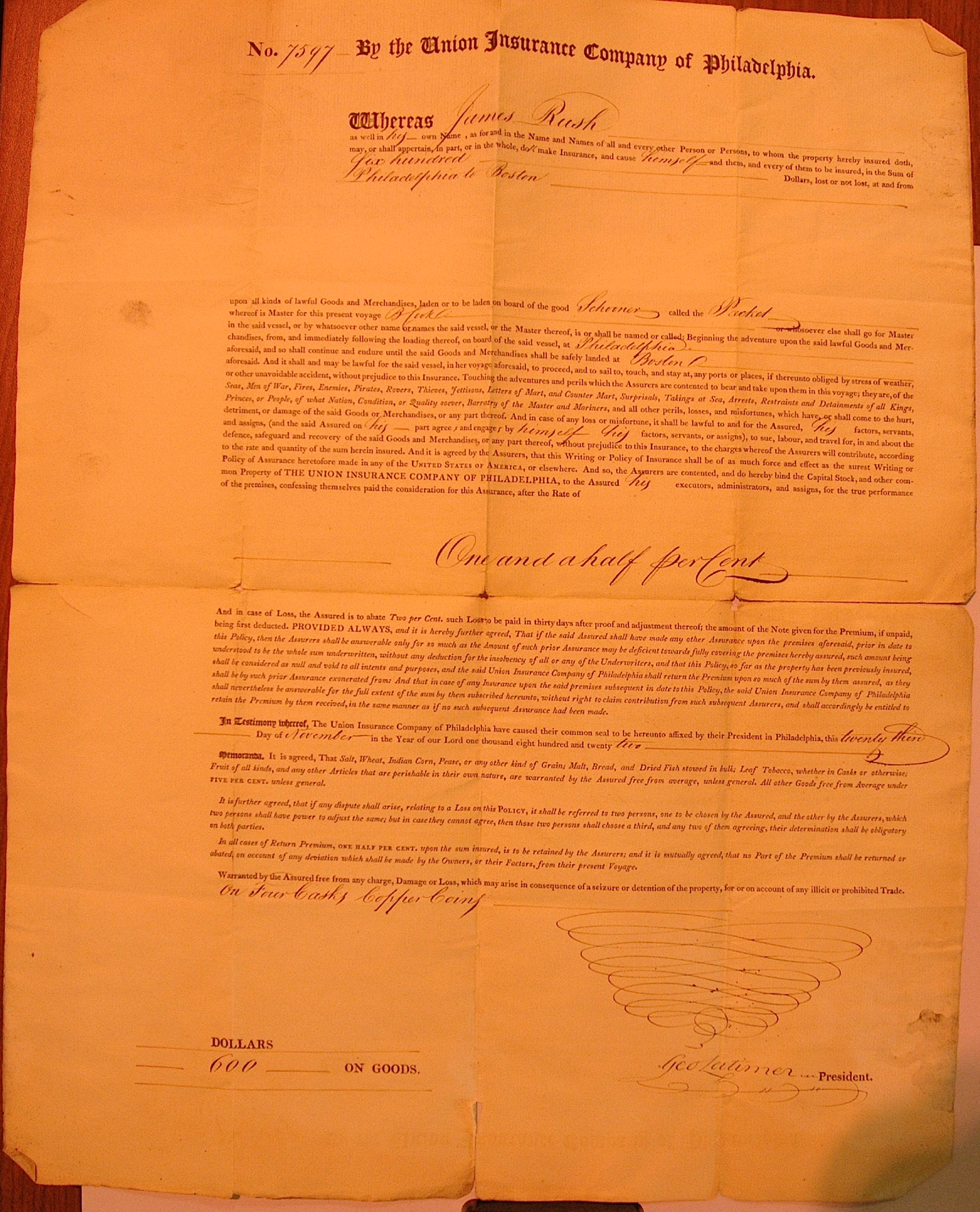
Warranted by the Assured free from any charge, Damage or Loss, which may arise in consequence of a seizure or detention of the property, for or on account of any illicit or prohibited Trade.

On three Casks of Copper Coins

DOLLARS
600

ON GOODS.

Geo Latimer President.



No. 7597 By the Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia.

Whereas James Rush as well in his own Name, as for and in the Name and Names of all and every other Person or Persons, to whom the property hereby insured doth, may, or shall appertain, in part, or in the whole, doth make Insurance, and cause himself and them, and every of them to be insured, in the Sum of Six hundred Dollars, lost or not lost, at and from Philadelphia to Boston

upon all kinds of lawful Goods and Merchandises, laden or to be laden on board of the good Schooner called the Packet whereof is Master for this present voyage B Cook or whosoever else shall go for Master in the said vessel, or by whatsoever other name or names the said vessel, or the Master thereof, is or shall be named or called; Beginning the adventure upon the said lawful Goods and Merchandises, from, and immediately following the loading thereof, on board of the said vessel, at Philadelphia aforesaid, and so shall continue and endure until the said Goods and Merchandises shall be safely landed at Boston aforesaid. And it shall and may be lawful for the said vessel, in her voyage aforesaid, to proceed, and to sail to, touch, and stay at, any ports or places, if thereunto obliged by stress of weather, or other unavoidable accident, without prejudice to this Insurance. Touching the adventures and perils which the Assurers are contented to bear and take upon them in this voyage; they are, of the *Seas, Men of War, Fires, Enemies, Pirates, Rovers, Thieves, Jettisons, Letters of Mart, and Counter Mart, Surprisals, Takings at Sea, Arrests, Restraints and Detainments of all Kings, Princes, or People, of what Nation, Condition, or Quality soever, Barratry of the Master and Mariners,* and all other perils, losses, and misfortunes, which have, or shall come to the hurt, detriment, or damage of the said Goods or Merchandises, or any part thereof. And in case of any loss or misfortune, it shall be lawful to and for the Assured, his factors, servants, and assigns, (and the said Assured on his part agrees and engages by himself his factors, servants, or assigns), to sue, labour, and travel for, in and about the defence, safeguard and recovery of the said Goods and Merchandises, or any part thereof, without prejudice to this Insurance, to the charges whereof the Assurers will contribute, according to the rate and quantity of the sum herein insured. And it is agreed by the Assurers, that this Writing or Policy of Insurance shall be of as much force and effect as the surest Writing or Policy of Assurance heretofore made in any of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, or elsewhere. And so, the Assurers are contented, and do hereby bind the Capital Stock, and other common Property of THE UNION INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA, to the Assured his executors, administrators, and assigns, for the true performance of the premises, confessing themselves paid the consideration for this Assurance, after the Rate of

One and a half per Cent

And in case of Loss, the Assured is to abate *Two per Cent.* such Loss to be paid in thirty days after proof and adjustment thereof; the amount of the Note given for the Premium, if unpaid, being first deducted. PROVIDED ALWAYS, *and it is hereby further agreed, That if the said Assured shall have made any other Assurance upon the premises aforesaid, prior in date to this Policy, then the Assurers shall be answerable only for so much as the Amount of such prior Assurance may be deficient towards fully covering the premises hereby assured, such amount being understood to be the whole sum underwritten, without any deduction for the insolvency of all or any of the Underwriters, and that this Policy, so far as the property has been previously insured, shall be considered as null and void to all intents and purposes, and the said Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia shall return the Premium upon so much of the sum by them assured, as they shall be by such prior Assurance exonerated from: And that in case of any Insurance upon the said premises subsequent in date to this Policy, the said Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia shall nevertheless be answerable for the full extent of the sum by them subscribed hereunto, without right to claim contribution from such subsequent Assurers, and shall accordingly be entitled to retain the Premium by them received, in the same manner as if no such subsequent Assurance had been made.*

In Testimony whereof, The Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia have caused their common seal to be hereunto affixed by their President in Philadelphia, this twenty third Day of November in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two

Memoranda. It is agreed, That *Salt, Wheat, Indian Corn, Pease, or any other kind of Grain; Malt, Bread, and Dried Fish stowed in bulk; Leaf Tobacco, whether in Casks or otherwise; Fruit of all kinds, and any other Articles that are perishable in their own nature, are warranted by the Assured free from average, unless general. All other Goods free from Average under* FIVE PER CENT. *unless general.*

It is further agreed, that if any dispute shall arise, relating to a Loss on this POLICY, *it shall be referred to two persons, one to be chosen by the Assured, and the other by the Assurers, which two persons shall have power to adjust the same; but in case they cannot agree, then those two persons shall choose a third, and any two of them agreeing, their determination shall be obligatory on both parties.*

In all cases of Return Premium, ONE HALF PER CENT. *upon the sum insured, is to be retained by the Assurers; and it is mutually agreed, that no Part of the Premium shall be returned or abated, on account of any deviation which shall be made by the Owners, or their Factors, from their present Voyage.*

Warranted by the Assured free from any charge, Damage or Loss, which may arise in consequence of a seizure or detention of the property, for or on account of any illicit or prohibited Trade.

On Four Casks Copper Coins

DOLLARS
600 ON GOODS.

Geo Latimer President.

No. 7311 **By the Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia.**

Whereas James Rush
as well in his own Name, as for and in the Name and Names of all and every other Person or Persons, to whom the property hereby insured doth, may, or shall appertain, in part, or in the whole, doth make Insurance, and cause himself and them, and every of them to be insured, in the Sum of Four hundred and Eighty Dollars, lost or not lost, at and from Philadelphia to New York

upon all kinds of lawful Goods and Merchandises, laden or to be laden on board of the good Schooner called the Logan
whereof is Master for this present voyage J. C. Dennison
in the said vessel, or by whatsoever other name or names the said vessel, or the Master thereof, is or shall be named or called: Beginning the adventure upon the said lawful Goods and Mer-
chandises, from, and immediately following the loading thereof, on board of the said vessel, at Philadelphia
aforesaid, and so shall continue and endure until the said Goods and Merchandises shall be safely landed at New York
aforesaid. And it shall and may be lawful for the said vessel, in her voyage aforesaid, to proceed, and to sail to, touch, and stay at, any ports or places, if thereunto obliged by stress of weather, or other unavoidable accident, without prejudice to this Insurance. Touching the adventures and perils which the Assurers are contented to bear and take upon them in this voyage; they are, of the *Seas, Men of War, Fires, Enemies, Pirates, Rovers, Thieves, Jettisons, Letters of Mart, and Counter Mart, Surprisals, Takings at Sea, Arrests, Restraints and Detainments of all Kings, Princes, or People, of what Nation, Condition, or Quality soever, Barratry of the Master and Mariners*, and all other perils, losses, and misfortunes, which have, or shall come to the hurt, detriment, or damage of the said Goods or Merchandises, or any part thereof. And in case of any loss or misfortune, it shall be lawful to and for the Assured, his factors, servants, and assigns, (and the said Assured on his part agrees and engages by himself his factors, servants, or assigns), to sue, labour, and travel for, in and about the defence, safeguard and recovery of the said Goods and Merchandises, or any part thereof, without prejudice to this Insurance, to the charges whereof the Assurers will contribute, according to the rate and quantity of the sum herein insured. And it is agreed by the Assurers, that this Writing or Policy of Insurance shall be of as much force and effect as the surest Writing or Policy of Assurance heretofore made in any of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, or elsewhere. And so, the Assurers are contented, and do hereby bind the Capital Stock, and other common Property of THE UNION INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA, to the Assured his executors, administrators, and assigns, for the true performance of the premises, confessing themselves paid the consideration for this Assurance, after the Rate of

One per Cent

And in case of Loss, the Assured is to abate *Two per Cent.* such Loss to be paid in thirty days after proof and adjustment thereof; the amount of the Note given for the Premium, if unpaid, being first deducted. PROVIDED ALWAYS, *and it is hereby further agreed, That if the said Assured shall have made any other Assurance upon the premises aforesaid, prior in date to this Policy, then the Assurers shall be answerable only for so much as the Amount of such prior Assurance may be deficient towards fully covering the premises hereby assured, such amount being understood to be the whole sum underwritten, without any deduction for the insolvency of all or any of the Underwriters, and that this Policy, so far as the property has been previously insured, shall be considered as null and void to all intents and purposes, and the said Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia shall return the Premium upon so much of the sum by them assured, as they shall be by such prior Assurance exonerated from: And that in case of any Insurance upon the said premises subsequent in date to this Policy, the said Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia shall nevertheless be answerable for the full extent of the sum by them subscribed hereunto, without right to claim contribution from such subsequent Assurers, and shall accordingly be entitled to retain the Premium by them received, in the same manner as if no such subsequent Assurance had been made.*

In Testimony whereof, The Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia have caused their common seal to be hereunto affixed by their President in Philadelphia, this Fourteenth Day of March in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty Two

Memoranda. It is agreed, That *Salt, Wheat, Indian Corn, Pease, or any other kind of Grain; Malt, Bread, and Dried Fish stowed in bulk; Leaf Tobacco, whether in Casks or otherwise; Fruit of all kinds, and any other Articles that are perishable in their own nature, are warranted by the Assured free from average, unless general. All other Goods free from Average under* FIVE PER CENT. *unless general.*

It is further agreed, that if any dispute shall arise, relating to a Loss on this POLICY, *it shall be referred to two persons, one to be chosen by the Assured, and the other by the Assurers, which two persons shall have power to adjust the same; but in case they cannot agree, then those two persons shall choose a third, and any two of them agreeing, their determination shall be obligatory on both parties.*

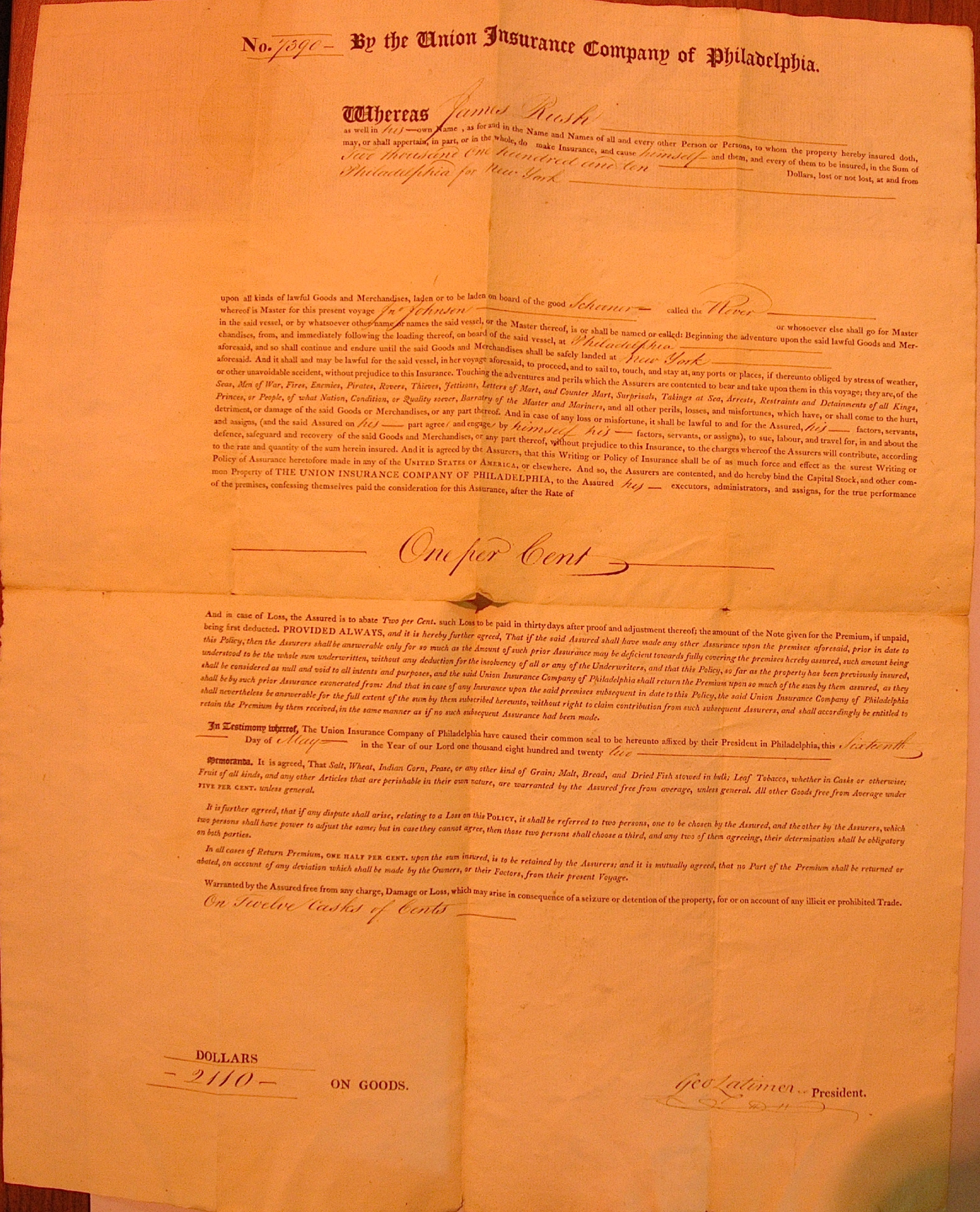
In all cases of Return Premium, ONE HALF PER CENT. *upon the sum insured, is to be retained by the Assurers; and it is mutually agreed, that no Part of the Premium shall be returned or abated, on account of any deviation which shall be made by the Owners, or their Factors, from their present Voyage.*

Warranted by the Assured free from any charge, Damage or Loss, which may arise in consequence of a seizure or detention of the property, for or on account of any illicit or prohibited Trade.

Declared to be on Three Casks of Copper Coins

DOLLARS
480 ON GOODS.

Geo Latimer President.



No. 7590 – By the Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia.

Whereas James Rush as well in his own Name, as for and in the Name and Names of all and every other Person or Persons, to whom the property hereby insured doth, may, or shall appertain, in part, or in the whole, do make Insurance, and cause himself and them, and every of them to be insured, in the Sum of Two thousand One hundred and ten Dollars, lost or not lost, at and from Philadelphia for New York

upon all kinds of lawful Goods and Merchandises, laden or to be laden on board of the good Schooner called the Clever whereof is Master for this present voyage Jno Johnson or whosoever else shall go for Master in the said vessel, or by whatsoever other name or names the said vessel, or the Master thereof, is or shall be named or called: Beginning the adventure upon the said lawful Goods and Merchandises, from, and immediately following the loading thereof, on board of the said vessel, at Philadelphia aforesaid, and so shall continue and endure until the said Goods and Merchandises shall be safely landed at New York aforesaid. And it shall and may be lawful for the said vessel, in her voyage aforesaid, to proceed, and to sail to, touch, and stay at, any ports or places, if thereunto obliged by stress of weather, or other unavoidable accident, without prejudice to this Insurance. Touching the adventures and perils which the Assurers are contented to bear and take upon them in this voyage; they are, of the *Seas, Men of War, Fires, Enemies, Pirates, Rovers, Thieves, Jettisons, Letters of Mart, and Counter Mart, Surprisals, Takings at Sea, Arrests, Restraints and Detainments of all Kings, Princes, or People, of what Nation, Condition, or Quality soever, Barratry of the Master and Mariners*, and all other perils, losses, and misfortunes, which have, or shall come to the hurt, detriment, or damage of the said Goods or Merchandises, or any part thereof. And in case of any loss or misfortune, it shall be lawful to and for the Assured, his factors, servants, and assigns, (and the said Assured on his part agree/ and engage/ by himself his factors, servants, or assigns), to sue, labour, and travel for, in and about the defence, safeguard and recovery of the said Goods and Merchandises, or any part thereof, without prejudice to this Insurance, to the charges whereof the Assurers will contribute, according to the rate and quantity of the sum herein insured. And it is agreed by the Assurers, that this Writing or Policy of Insurance shall be of as much force and effect as the surest Writing or Policy of Assurance heretofore made in any of the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, or elsewhere. And so, the Assurers are contented, and do hereby bind the Capital Stock, and other common Property of THE UNION INSURANCE COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA, to the Assured his executors, administrators, and assigns, for the true performance of the premises, confessing themselves paid the consideration for this Assurance, after the Rate of

One per Cent

And in case of Loss, the Assured is to abate *Two per Cent.* such Loss to be paid in thirty days after proof and adjustment thereof; the amount of the Note given for the Premium, if unpaid, being first deducted. PROVIDED ALWAYS, *and it is hereby further agreed, That if the said Assured shall have made any other Assurance upon the premises aforesaid, prior in date to this Policy, then the Assurers shall be answerable only for so much as the Amount of such prior Assurance may be deficient towards fully covering the premises hereby assured, such amount being understood to be the whole sum underwritten, without any deduction for the insolvency of all or any of the Underwriters, and that this Policy, so far as the property has been previously insured, shall be considered as null and void to all intents and purposes, and the said Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia shall return the Premium upon so much of the sum by them assured, as they shall be by such prior Assurance exonerated from: And that in case of any Insurance upon the said premises subsequent in date to this Policy, the said Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia shall nevertheless be answerable for the full extent of the sum by them subscribed hereunto, without right to claim contribution from such subsequent Assurers, and shall accordingly be entitled to retain the Premium by them received, in the same manner as if no such subsequent Assurance had been made.*

In Testimony whereof, The Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia have caused their common seal to be hereunto affixed by their President in Philadelphia, this Sixteenth Day of May in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two

Memoranda. It is agreed, That *Salt, Wheat, Indian Corn, Pease, or any other kind of Grain; Malt, Bread, and Dried Fish stowed in bulk; Leaf Tobacco, whether in Casks or otherwise; Fruit of all kinds, and any other Articles that are perishable in their own nature, are warranted by the Assured free from average, unless general. All other Goods free from Average under* FIVE PER CENT. *unless general.*

It is further agreed, that if any dispute shall arise, relating to a Loss on this POLICY, *it shall be referred to two persons, one to be chosen by the Assured, and the other by the Assurers, which two persons shall have power to adjust the same; but in case they cannot agree, then those two persons shall choose a third, and any two of them agreeing, their determination shall be obligatory on both parties.*

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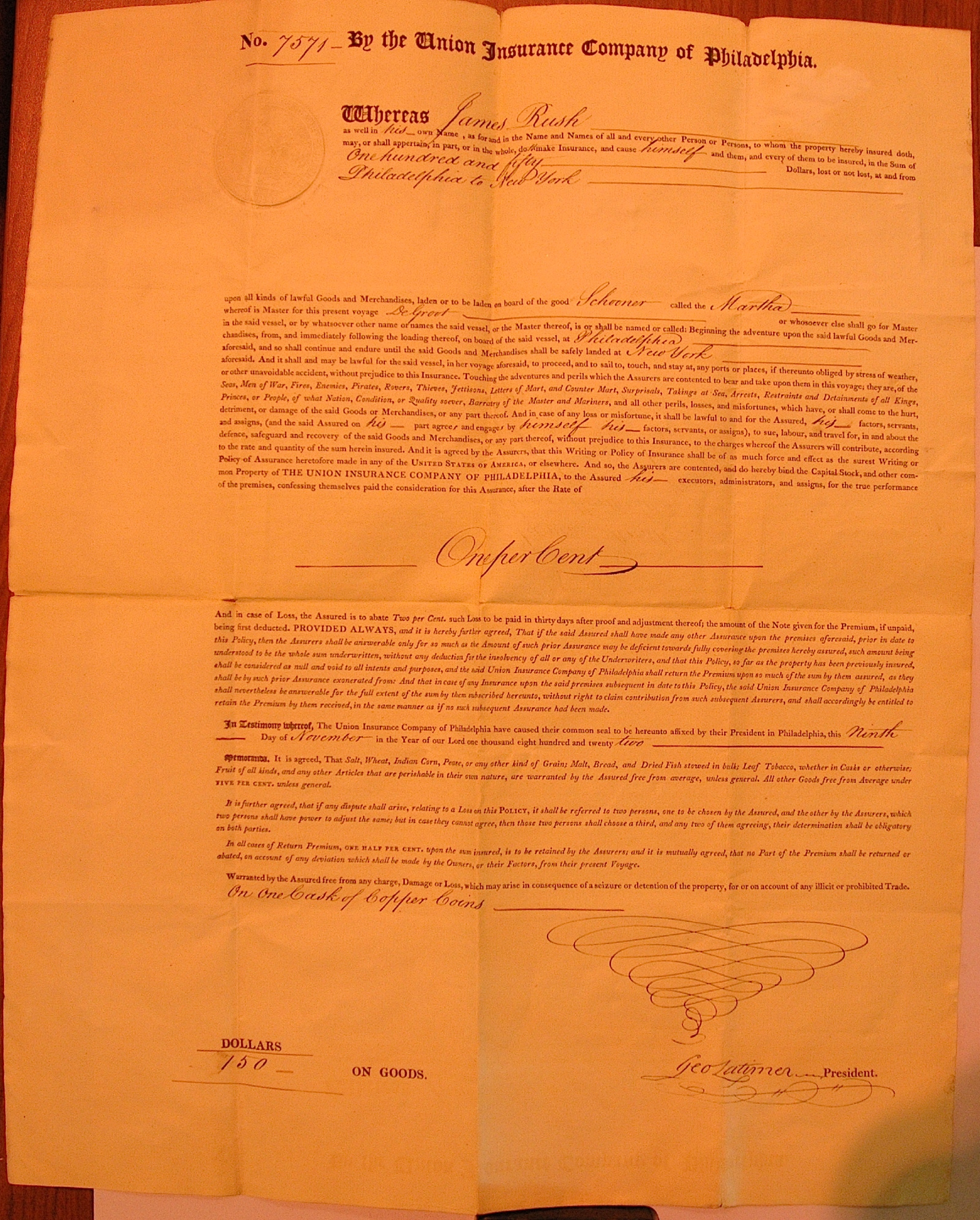
Warranted by the Assured free from any charge, Damage or Loss, which may arise in consequence of a seizure or detention of the property, for or on account of any illicit or prohibited Trade.

On Twelve Casks of Cents

DOLLARS
– 2110 – ON GOODS.

Geo Latimer President.



No. 7571 — By the Union Insurance Company of Philadelphia.

Whereas James Rush as well in his own Name, as for and in the Name and Names of all and every other Person or Persons, to whom the property hereby insured doth, may, or shall appertain, in part, or in the whole, do make Insurance, and cause himself and them, and every of them to be insured, in the Sum of One hundred and fifty Dollars, lost or not lost, at and from Philadelphia to New York

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On One Cask of Copper Coins

DOLLARS 150 ON GOODS.

Geo Latimer President.

William Harrold
Birmingham 1st Novemr 1823
Received 17th December
Invoice of 66 Casks of Copper
Planchetts per Ship Montezuma

938

Robt Patterson Esqr
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

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P.26 @ 91. – 66 Casks.
Weighing ton cwt qrs lb 10.5.3.14. @ 15/. P ton
£7.14.5
Primage –.7.3
£8.1.8

RECEIVED, in good order and condition, from THOMAS and JOHN D. THORNELY, of *Liverpool*, on board the good Ship or Vessel called the *Montezuma* whereof I, *Thos Potts* am Master, now lying in the *Port of Liverpool*, and bound for *Philadelphia*

Sixty Six Casks of Copper Planchetts

marked and numbered as in the Margin, and to be delivered in the like good Order and Condition, (the Dangers and Accidents of the Seas and of Navigation, of whatsoever kind, excepted) at the aforesaid Port of *Philadelphia* unto *Robert Patterson Esqre Director of the Mint* or to *his* Assigns, on payment of the Freight, *Fifteen* Shillings British Sterling per Ton ~~weight~~ and Five per Cent. Primage with Average accustomed, at the par of Exchange.

In witness whereof I subscribe four Bills of Lading, of this Tenor and Date, one of which being accomplished, the rest to be void. *Liverpool*, *6th November 1823*

Contents unknown.

Thos Potts

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Birmingham 1st Novr 1823

Invoice of Sixty Six Casks of Copper Planchetts purchased on account & risk of Robt Patterson Esqr Director of the Mint Philadelphia & consigned to the care of Messrs T & J D Thornely Liverpool. —

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26 @ 91.

	Gross weight C	Q	lb	oz	Tare lb	oz	Nett Wt C	Qr	lb
26	3	1	12	8	12	8	3	1	—
27	3	2	13	4	13	4	3	2	—
28	3	1	26	—	12	—	3	1	14
29	3	1	13	—	13	—	3	1	—
30	3	1	12	8	12	8	3	1	—
31	3	1	14	8	14	8	3	1	—
32	3	1	11	12	11	12	3	1	—
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34	3	1	11	12	11	12	3	1	—
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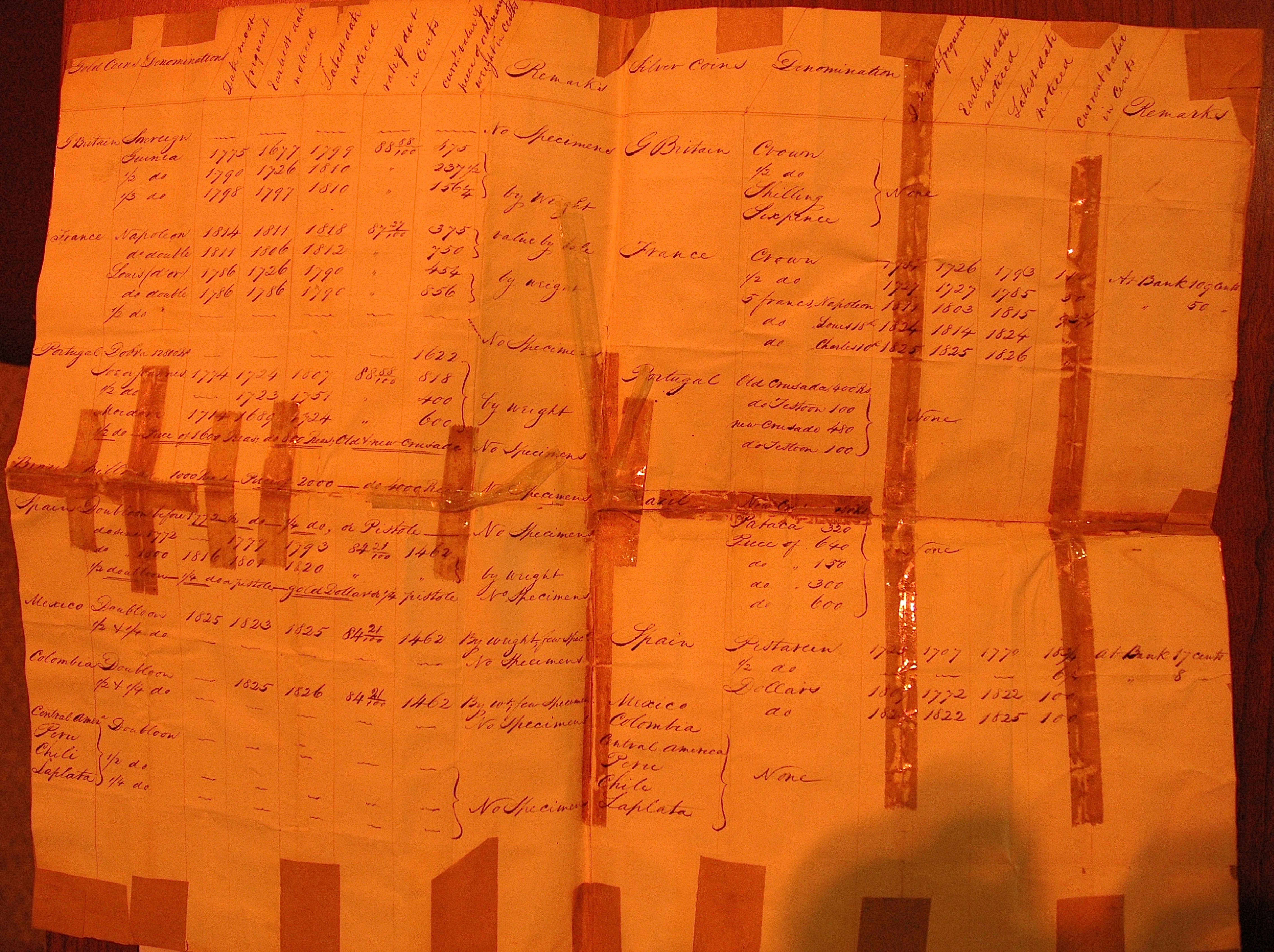

Gold Coins	Denominations	Date most frequent	Earliest date noticed	Latest date noticed	rate per dwt in Cents	Curr.t value of piece of ordinary weight in Cents	Remarks
G Britain	Sovereign	—	—	—	—	—	No Specimens
	Guinea	1775	1677	1799	88 88/100	475	
	1/2 do	1790	1726	1810	"	237 1/2	
	1/3 do	1798	1797	1810	"	156 1/4	by Weight
France	Napoleon	1814	1811	1818	87 27/100	375	value by tale
	do double	1811	1806	1812	"	750	
	Louis (d'or)	1786	1726	1790	"	454	by weight
	do double	1786	1786	1790	"	856	
	1/2 do	—	—	—	—	—	No Specimens
Portugal	Dobra 12800 Rs	—	—	—	—	1622	
	Joes or Joannes	1774	1724	1807	88 88/100	818	
	1/2 do	—	1723	1751	"	400	by weight
	Moidore	1714	1689	1724	"	600	
	1/2 do — Piece of 1600 Reas; do 800 Reas; Old & new Crusade						No Specimens
Brazil	Millreas 1000 Reas — Pieces of 2000 — do 4000 Reas						No Specimens
Spain	Doubloon before 1772 — 1/2 do — 1/4 do, or Pistole					—	No Specimens
	do since 1772	—	1777	1793	84 21/100	1462	
	do " 1800	1816	1801	1820	"	"	by weight
	1/2 doubloon — 1/4 do or pistole — gold Dollars or 1/4 pistole						No Specimens
Mexico	Doubloon	1825	1823	1825	84 21/100	1462	By weight, few Spec.
	1/2 & 1/4 do	—	—	—	—	—	No Specimens
Colombia	Doubloon	—	1825	1826	84 21/100	1462	By wt, few Specimens
	1/2 & 1/4 do	—	—	—	—	—	No Specimens
Central Amer.a Peru Chili Laplata	Doubloon	—	—	—	—	—	No Specimens
	1/2 do	—	—	—	—	—	
	1/4 do	—	—	—	—	—	

Silver Coins	Denomination	Date most frequent	Earliest date noticed	Latest date noticed	Current value in Cents	Remarks
G Britain	Crown 1/2 do Shilling Sixpence	None				
France	Crown	17[illegible]	1726	1793	1[illegible]	At Bank 109 cents
	1/2 do	1727	1727	1785	50	" 50
	5 francs, Napoleon	1811	1803	1815	9[illegible]	
	do Louis 18th	1824	1814	1824		
	do Charles 10th	1825	1825	1826		
Portugal	Old Crusada 400 Rs do Testoon 100 new Crusado 480 do Testoon 100	None				
Brazil	New Cr[illegible] 480 Rs Pataca 320 Piece of 640 do " 150 do 300 do 600	None				
Spain	Pistareen	172[illegible]	1707	1770	18 3/4	At Bank 17 cents
	1/2 do	—	—	—	[illegible]	" 8
	Dollars	180[illegible]	1772	1822	10[illegible]	
Mexico	do	182[illegible]	1822	1825	10[illegible]	
Colombia Central America Peru Chili Laplata	None					

Baltimore Dec. 20th 1827

Dr. Samuel Moore

Director of the Mint

Respected friend

In a conversation which I had lately with you, you kindly offered to answer such enquiries as I might make, in relation to the copper which is used in the Mint. Our family being largely interested in the manufacture of this article, and our efforts being constantly exerted to find a market for the produce of our works, we saw with a good deal of interest, the fact stated in the "report of the Secretary of the Treasury, concerning the Commerce and Navigation of the United States", for the year ending 30th September, 1826, page 14 – that copper to the value of 72.926 Dollars, was imported for the use of the mint, during that year. Anxious to discover whether we may not afford to supply the mint with an American article, we respectfully submit the following enquiries –

"Why is "copper, for the use of the mint", imported from so many different countries, as stated in the Secretary of the Treasury's Report?

Why is the same Article exported, as represented in page 178 of the same input, to the amt. of $3983.. ?

What is the annual consumption of Copper in the Mint?

Is it probable that the department could be induced to receive Copper in Sheets?

What is the number of cents to a pound avoirdupois?

[illegible] the copper, as now practised?

What is the cost of a machine such as cuts out the form of the half dollar, and such as mills the edge of the half dollar?

Note. This question is proposed, under an impression that similar [illegible] would prepare the copper for cents.

What number of half dollars can be cut out of the plate, in one day; and how many persons are required for the operation?

The same question is proposed as it respects milling.

The principal object of the several enquiries, is to ascertain the price, at which the mint would receive the uncoined [illegible] disk; and to get such information, as will enable us to calculate, whether we can come into competition with the English manufacturers.

Respectfully

Evan T. Ellicott

90
60
5400

~~1500~~ —
~~300~~ —
300 = 30000
200 = 20000

1,600
8
400

20000
500
60
20000

20,000 —

20000

Mint of the United States
Philad^a Dec^r 28. 1827

Sir

My absence for a few days from the city has prevented an earlier attention to yours of the 26th requesting information relative to the consumption of copper at the Mint. I now with pleasure reply to your inquiries.

That item of the imports for the year ending 30th Sep. 1826, to which you refer has been founded I presume on erroneous returns from some of the Custom Houses. The amount of copper imported for the Mint within that period was $19,870, all of which came as usual from Liverpool.

If any of the copper imported for the use of the Mint has been exported, it must have been in the form of coins. I think it more probable that this item also has resulted ~~[illegible]~~ from some misconception. Shortly after our recent conversation, I ~~[illegible]~~ obtained a copy of the report in question, and the above points have been presented to the notice of the Department.

The amount of copper imported annually for the use of the Mint, from the year 1820 to 1827, both inclusive, has averaged about 38500 pounds Avoirdupois, at a cost ~~[illegible]~~, including loss on Exchange, and all charges of 31¼ cents per pound, very nearly; making an annual amount of say $12,000. The cost of the importation for this year, taken singly has been 29½ cents per pound.

This copper is of very good quality, in planchets or discs of the requisite weight, blanc milled, and properly annealed and cleaned.

A cent must weigh 7 dwts. or 168 grains Troy. In a pound Avoirdupois which contains 7000 Troy grains there are consequently 41⅔ cents.

To be supplied with copper in planchets lessens very much the interference of the copper coinage with that of the precious metals. It is not probable therefore that the Government will direct the purchase of copper for coinage in sheets.

A Machine for cutting out cent planchets and one for Milling them, may be estimated to cost from 350 to 500 dollars. Two hands could cut out in a day 30000 pieces, and one hand could mill 20000 pieces. These are medium estimates when the hands have become expert.

The above remarks meet the points embraced by your enquiries, and may suffice ~~I presume~~ for you the basis of a general estimate. ~~[illegible]~~ Any further explanations which you may ~~[illegible]~~ think necessary ~~[illegible]~~, will be freely communicated.

When convenient please forward me a specimen of ~~the copper from~~ your ore, and of ~~you~~ the ~~refined~~ copper it produces.

Very respectfully

Yours

Saml. Moore

Mr. Evan T. Ellicott

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Peruvian 1826 —— 72.3.15
" —— 72.3.11
" —— 72.3.5
1827 —— 72.3.10

Peruvian — 1824 / 1825 } 72–4
" 72.3.10 416.4
144.7.10 = 17.5.4

144.7.10
1735
347
1388
8328
416.4

289.1.10
12
3469
6939
27756
166536
416.39

1826 — 72.3.5
" 72–2.11
" ~~2.10~~ 416.39
" 72.3.11 17=8.39
" 72.3.15
289.1.10

Mexican — —— 72.4–10
72.4.0
72.4.0
416.72
17.8.7

17.0.10
2604
5208
20832
125016
416.72

10000
Mexican & Peruvian — 10000 — 722.10.10
10000
723.3.5
723.6.11
722.9.0
2892.5.10

416.5 = 17.8.5

2592-5-10
12

34709 20

694190 4

2776760 6

16660560

416.51

[illegible]

Peruvian Dollars
and
Mexican

146 146 6
144
~~2~~

102

L

1827

I have since ~~ma~~ aſsay'd 3 Mexican dollars one of them dated 1824 the other two 1827 the result follows

No 1 dated 1824 —— 10-19-6

2 ditto 1827 —— 10-15-0 a brittle piece

3 ditto 1827 —— 10-15-18

No 1 proving so much superior to the other two induced me to submit it to the opperation of the Copple on the following day, the result was the same or dwt 9 10-19-6

The piece weighed in the assay balance 12 3/10 Grs — say 12 Grs
weight of the Assay — 10 7/10 Grs
allowance ——— 2/10
10 5/10 fine metal

of 12 oz ——— 10 5/10 fine. ——— 480
480
8400
420
12)50400(4200 fine
48
24
24 24)4581(19-21 6/10 Stand^d^
38-1 dw g
24
213
216
21

Note on Assay
of Mexican
Dollars
by Mr. Richardson
~~1330~~
1827

JAN. 30, 1827
U.S. MINT
MOORE TO
LEWIS WILLIAMS

YOURS OF THE 22ND RECEIVED HAS NOT BEEN FORGOTTEN.

I HAD LAST WINTER OCCASION AT THE REQUEST OF MR. TALIAFERRO FROM WHOM A SPECIMEN OF COPPER RESEMBLING YOURS WAS FORWARDED FOR EXAMINATION TO REPLY TO SIMILAR INQUIRIES. I HAVE DELAYED MY REPLY IN THIS INSTANCE IN THE HOPE OF OBTAINING SOME FARTHER FACTS FOR YOUR GUIDANCE – BUT IN THIS HOPE I HAVE BEEN DISAPPOINTED.

COPPER MINES WROUGHT AT THE ORDINARY CHARGE OF LABOR IN THE U. STATES HAVE HITHERTO I BELIEVE BEEN FOUND UNPROFITABLE – AS FAR AS I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO LEARN ALL ENTERPRISES OF THAT KIND HAVE BEEN ABANDONED UNLESS A RECENT ATTEMPT BY A COMPANY FROM NEW YORK TO WORK ONE OF THE JERSEY MINES BE AN EXCEPTION. OF THIS I HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN CORRECT INFORMATION

THE CHARACTER OF THE JERSEY ORES IS HOWEVER

I BELIEVE DIFFERENT FROM YOURS AND THE EXPENSE OR RESULT OF OPERATION ON THEM PRESENTS THEREFORE NO CONCLUSIVE ANALOGY.

YOUR ORE IS AMONG THE MOST EASY TO REDUCE AND AFFORDS COPPER MORE FREE FROM IMPURITIES THAN THE COPPER OF COIN NOW USUALLY IS.' BUT THE EXPENSE OF ITS REDUCTION IN THE LARGE WAY CAN ONLY BE DETERMINED BY THE TESTIMONY OF THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN ENGAGED ON SUCH OPERATIONS OR BY AN ACTUAL EXPERIMENT UNDER THE EYE OF SUCH AN ARTIST. THE COST OF REDUCING A MERE SPECIMEN IN A SMALL CRUCIBLE FURNISHES NO CRITERION AS TO THE EXPENSE OF LARGE OPERATIONS, THE LAST IS THE ONLY INFALLIBLE MODE.

IF YOUR ORE IS ABUNDANT AND EASILY RAISED FROM THE EARTH, IF FUEL IS CHEAP AND THE LOCAL FACILITIES OF WATER POWER AND TRANSPORTATION TO WASHER BE FAVORABLE A TRIAL OF IT BY THE ERECTION OF A FURNACE SUFFICIENT TO REDUCE A FEW TONS OR PERHAPS EVEN HALF A TON OF THE ORE, WOULD IN MY OPINION BE A JUDICIOUS MEASURE PROVIDED A PRACTICAL ARTIST FAMILIAR WITH THE SMELTING OF COPPER ORE CAN BE OBTAINED TO DIRECT THE EXPERIMENT.

I PRESUME THAT FOR 200 DOLLARS WITH THE COMPENSATION TO THE ARTIST AN EXPERIMENT COULD BE MADE FROM WHICH THE EXPENSE OF RAISING & PULVERIZING THE ORE AND SMELTING IT IN A SUITABLE FURNACE AND EFFECTIVE SALES IN THE MARKET COULD BE DEDUCED IN A MANNER SO NEARLY ACCURATE THAT NO MATERIAL DISAPPOINTMENT COULD BE INCURRED IN INTENSIVE OPERATIONS.

MR. HENRY WEST NOW EMPLOYED AT BALTIMORE BY MR. ELLICOTT IN REFINING FROM THE IMPORTED CAKE IS REPUTED A COMPETENT ARTIST, HIS BUSINESS IN ENGLAND HAVING BEEN THE SMELTING OF COPPER ORE. YOU WILL FIND NO DIFFICULTY AT WASHINGTON IN OBTAINING ACCESS TO INFORMATION RESPECTING HIM.

GENERAL DICKERSON OF THE SENATE CAN AID YOU IN PROCURING FULL INFORMATION RESPECTING THE JERSEY MINES AND THE PROBABILITY OF PROCURING AN ARTIST IN THAT QUARTER. JUDGE KINSEY OF NEW JERSEY WHOM YOU KNOW WOULD ALSO BE ABE TO PROCURE FOR YOU INFORMATION ON THOSE POINTS.

IN REESE'S ENCYCLOPEDIA WHICH I PRESUME IS IN THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS UNDER THE ARTICLE "MINING AND COPPER" ARE INTERESTING DETAILS RELATIVE THERETO—

FROM THEM HOWEVER I INFER THAT WITH ALL THE FACILITIES OF CHEAP LABOR, PERFECT MACHINERY AND TRAINED SKILL THE COPPER MINES IN ENGLAND YIELD BUT A VERY MODERATE PROFIT ON THE CAPITAL INVESTED IN SUCH WASTES, I AM WELL SATISFIED THAT MANY COPPER MINES ARE NOW WORKED SUCESSFULLY WHICH ARE LESS RICH IN COPPER THAN YOURS BUT IN FREQUENT INSTANCES IT MAY BE TAKEN FOR GRANTED THAT THE PRESENT POSSESSORS OF THOSE WASTES OBTAINED THEM AT A MUCH SMALLER INVESTMENT OF CAPITAL THAN THEIR ORIGINAL COST. THE ENTERPRISING ADVENTURE IN SUCH PRESENTS OFTEN THE VEINS OF ANOTHER'S FORTUNE ON THE RUINS OF HIS (OWN ?).

THE VARIETIES OF COPPER ORE ARE GIVEN IN. CLEVELAND'S . TREATISE ON MINEROLOGY & GEOLOGY BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY I BELIEVE PAGE 553 – AMONG THEM YOU WILL FIND THE GREEN CARBONATE OF COPPER, WHICH IS THE SAME WITH YOUR ORE, MR. CLOUD, THE MELTER & REFINER OF THE MINT. WHOSE OPINION ON SUCH POINTS IS VALUABLE ENTERTAINS NO FAVORABLE OPINION OF THIS SPECIE OF ORE AS HAVING OF EVERY INDICATION AND AFFORDING VERY GOOD COPPER, BUT IT DOUBTFUL WHETHER IT IS FOUND IN

ABUNDANCE ENOUGH TO JUSTIFY LARGE OPERATIONS.

THE PRINCIPAL SUPPLY OF COPPER RECEIVED IN THE U.STATES IS FROM SOUTH AMERICA — ITS PRICE AS IMPORTED MAY BE STATED FOR THE BETTER QUALITIES AT ABOUT 20 CENTS PER LB. WITH THOSE QUALITIES THE COPPER FROM YOUR ORE WOULD DOUBTLESS RANK.

I REGRET THAT MORE USEFUL INFORMATION HAS NOT BEEN WITHIN MY REACH. I SHOULD HAVE FELT MUCH

IN COMMUNICATING IT

Mint of the United States
Philada. Jany. 17. 1827

Sir

I have now the satisfaction to communicate the result of an examination of the ore of copper sent to the Department by the Hon. Mr. Williams, and transmitted with your letter of the 29th. ulto.

This ore is the green carbonate of copper called Malachite. A large proportion of the Mass mined consists of extraneous earthy and ferruginous matter without value, the whole was however pulverised together presuming that it might be considered a fair specimen of the mineral as raised from the Mine. The result of two reductions of equal portions of the Mass made carefully by Mr. Cloud gives between 25 and 26 per cent ~~on the whole~~ of good malleable copper.

A specimen of the Metal obtained is here-
here-
with forwarded conformably to your request
with forwarded ~~con~~ conformably to your request.
ore is among the most easy of reduction and affords
This ore is among the most easy of reduction and affords
copper less impure than the ordinary ores.
copper less impure than the ordinary ores

Your very respectfully
Saml Moore

Hon. Richd. Rush
Secy. of the Treasury Washn.

Aſsayers department, Mint U States
11th Mo 17th 1827

On the 14th instant a deposit of Silver was made in the Mint consisting in part of large cakes apparently drawn from the Test before the lead used in refining was sufficiently excoriated, the lead naturally adhering to the upper surface rendered it impoſsible to obtain a correct aſsay from any one part. it was therefore concluded to melt them into barrs by which the dificulty was partially removed but the portion of lead being so considerable that as the metal cooled it was again forced to the surface in the form of scruff a part of which was aſsayed & found to be $\overset{\text{oz dwt}}{3-6}$ in the pound worse than Standard an aſsay taken from a clear part of the same melt was but 5 dwt^{s} worse than stand^{d} in this situation I can conceive no other mode of obtaining (as near as may be) a correct valuation than by reducing the ~~original~~ groſs weight as much as in our judgment the scruff might weigh, calculating the reduced weight of clear metal at 5 dwt worse & the weight of the scruff substracted at $\overset{\text{oz dwt}}{3-6}$ worse agreeable to the respective aſsays

To form an accurate judgment of the weight of the leady portion is a point of some consequence on which I have consulted Jos Cloud

I have

I have not yet made my report, being apprehensive the depositer will find himself much disapointed I am desirous of being as correct as posible. I thought best to appirze thee of those circumstances from the apprehention of disatisfaction on the part of the depositer that may require some explanation to allay

Thy friend

Joseph Richardson
Assayer

Sam^l. Moore Esq^r

136.2.5
91.6.
95.11
2
323.9.5
3
9.7.0

9 7/10

129
89
90.12
308.2
77

7/12
8.4

3 per cent gives dwt or 9.8 estimated by S. M
Estimate by W. R. 14.2
23.10
The mean — 11.11

Say therefore 12 pounds to be considered as of the base quality & to be apportioned on the several Melts as the Assayer shall think right

S. Moore

S. Moore Esq.^r New York 10^th October 1827

Sir

Not having been favoured with an answer to our last respects of 24^th Ult.^o, we take the liberty of again addressing you, to request information on the subject of the Button left by us at the Mint and we shall feel much obliged by your answering the last paragraph of our former letter. We remain respectfully, Sir

Your obed.^t S.^ts

Castello & Henriques

3.19.22
2.1
1.19.72

$35.48

oz	
1 —	17.7777
10	8.88888
5	4.44444
4	3.5555
12	.4444
16	.44[illegible]
4	.1481
	35.4814

New York 23^d September 1827

Sir,

Your communication under yesterday's date we received this morning & hasten to answer –

We observe your statement of an error in the Certificate forwarded to us, which if really so we regret exceedingly, as the Certificate has been disposed of & the Account Sales sent on to the respective Owners in Colombia. but on reexamining the affair, we cannot see the probability of such a mistake, nay the contrary appears more likely to have happened: for the Gold produced much less than a parcel of the same mine, (we mean in proportion to the gross weight) forwarded to the mint for us in May by Prime Ward King & Co. The gross weight of the Bar deposited was 43 oz – that produced $\overset{\text{oz}}{34}.\overset{\text{dwt}}{11}.\overset{\text{gr}}{10}$ of Standard Gold – making the quality of the Bar rather better than 17½ Carats – whereas the assay we had made of that Bar in New York determined it at 18½ Carats –

The gross weight of the ~~Dust~~ deposited was $\overset{\text{oz}}{89}.\overset{\text{dwt}}{11}.\overset{\text{gr}}{10}$ – that when melted produced $\overset{\text{oz}}{81}.\overset{\text{dwt}}{16}$ of gold, & the button of mixed metal weighing $\overset{\text{oz}}{6}.\overset{\text{dwt}}{6}.\overset{\text{gr}}{0}$ – so that there was a loss of $\overset{\text{oz}}{1}.\overset{\text{dwt}}{9}.\overset{\text{gr}}{10}$ in melting exclusive of the platinum, & that is certainly quite as much as gold dust of that description usually loses – those $\overset{\text{oz}}{81}.\overset{\text{dwt}}{16}.0$ of gold produced

Certificate $\overset{ctt}{77}.\overset{dwt}{16}.\overset{gr}{23}$ of Standard, which agrees pretty accurately with the statement made to our Mr Castello at the mint – namely – that it was rather better than 21 –

Perhaps on reinvestigating the calculations the result will be found different to what it at present appears to you – but be that as it may we very cheerfully agree to having the button analized & the error corrected if it really exists –

It was mentioned to us at the mint that Platina was scarce & much wanted – Would you be so good as to inform us if the mint purchases the article & at what price – the reason for asking is because we think we could procure some to be sent here from Choco –

Yours respectfully
Castello & Henriques

Sam Moore Esqr
Director M.U.S.
Philadelphia

Mint of U. States
Sept 22d 1837

Gentlemen

~~[illegible]~~ Your friend called this morning for the purpose of receiving the ~~[illegible]~~ remnant of your deposite mentioned in my letter of the 12th. I will then state that the ~~[illegible]~~ question of making ~~an~~ an assay of this ~~[illegible]~~ and separating the silver from the gold contained in it by a process not falling within ~~the~~ any ordinary operations of ~~[illegible]~~ has been a subject of considerable ~~[illegible]~~ Mr. Peale the ~~[illegible]~~ the Melter & ~~[illegible]~~ Refiner of the Mint, ~~[illegible]~~ is willing to perform it ~~[illegible]~~ if agreeable to you ~~[illegible]~~ mentioned ~~[illegible]~~ but having ~~[illegible]~~ the return of it to your hands, it was not considered proper to make any other disposition of it without your approbation.

It is proper to mention that by an error of the clerk, very recently ascertained, the certificate forwarded to you ~~[illegible]~~ was made out for two ounces of gold more than it ought to have been ~~[illegible]~~ It will offer a very satisfactory opportunity of correcting this error ~~[illegible]~~ if on analysis it be found that so much gold is ~~[illegible]~~ contained in the bullion remaining in our hands. If there be more, you will have the benefit of it, and in any event under the present circumstances the process for separating it ~~is~~ will not be the subject of any neglect & You may be assured it will be very carefully and accurately performed.

Yours respectfully,

Saml Moore

Fr 69

Messrs Carlile

& Kinniegius

New York

Sep. 22. 1827

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Mint of the U States

Sir

Sep. 12. 1817

~~I [illegible] herewith~~ is herewith forwarded the certificate of your deposit of gold, amounting to $1991.10.

The bullion which was supposed to contain gold mixed with the platinum ~~which~~ that had subsided to the bottom of the crucible is found on assaying to consist almost entirely of platinum no estimate therefore is made of it. If called for by your order it will be returned to you.

The particulars are subjoined. ~~[illegible]~~

Small bars, not melted . . . Oz 43.

making Oz. dwt. gr 34.11.10 Standard ~~at~~ — $614.59

deduct for refining . . 2.58 — $612.01

Dust before melting Oz dwt 89.14 after melting 88.2

~~after melting 88.2~~

deduct platinum ~~6.6~~ — 6.6

~~81.16~~ 81.16

~~not refining~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~77.16.23 Stand~~ =

containing Standard — Oz. dwt. gr 77.16.23 — $1383.96

deduct for refining — 4.87 = $1379.09

1991.10

Messrs Castello & Henriques
No. 41 Pine Street
New York

Respectfully

Yours

Saml Moore

Mint of the United States
Philada. Decr. 12. 1827

Dear Sir

The Act of March 3d. 1823 further to prolong the continuance of the Mint Establishment at Philada. for five years being soon to expire permit me to ask your attention to the proper measures for its renewal.

In former instances a Committee on the subject of the Mint has I believe been raised. Should the same procedure be again adopted a favourable opportunity would thus be ~~offered~~ presented to recommend such further measures for perfecting the organization and details of this establishment, as experience and reflection may have suggested. To determine by direct enactment the specific standard weight, according to which our coinage is to be regulated, would be of itself an important point accomplished, the attainment of this would not seem now to be difficult, as the Mint is ~~now~~ in possession of a perfect copy recently obtained, of the identical weight presumed to have been intended in the Law by which the National Coinage was ordained.

It was proposed I think on one former occasion of the renewal of the Act referred to, that the Mint should be continued here for five years" and until further provided by law." Whether the present season would be propitious for such ~~an application~~ amendment may be considered hereafter. The superior eligibility former of this location of the Mint, appears ~~[illegible]~~ to have been strongly indication since ~~that period~~ the ~~[illegible]~~ question was last discussed. The amount of bullion ~~has~~ within that period ~~[illegible]~~ been nearly doubled ~~[illegible]~~ a result which ~~[illegible]~~ appears ~~[illegible]~~ to have its source in the expanding operations of the U.S. Bank, from which nearly three fourths of the whole supply has been derived.

My object is not now to enter into details, but to bring the subject generally into view. I write to Mr. Ingham also relative to it, the course which to you and him shall seem judicious will I doubt not be the best — If ~~[illegible]~~ it be thought proper to make the ~~[illegible]~~ incipient movement in the Senate ~~[illegible]~~ I will make a previous communication ~~[illegible]~~ to the Member who moves it if desired.

~~Yours with esteem~~

I consult my own feelings when I thus refer this subject to the consideration of yourself ~~[illegible]~~ and Mr Ingham ~~Hon. John Sergeant~~ and indulge the persuasion that ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible] national points~~ ~~[illegible]~~ long continued sentiments of mutual regard ~~which [illegible] have been~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~to~~ will make your intercourse on national points easy ~~[illegible]~~,

~~If it should be thought prudent to make the first movement in Senate please inform me if it be expected that I shall first make some communication on the subject to the member who will move it.~~

~~[illegible]~~ as I am sure your associated counsels ~~[illegible]~~ will have ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] influence on any public measure

Hon. John Sergeant

~~[illegible]~~ With great respect
and Esteem
Yours

Unless it be + determined that a member from another State shall ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ move the subject in the House?

To Cashier Bk. of Portland March 28. 1827

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To Cashier Bank of Portland, Maine March 25. 1827

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Phila. March 28. 1827

Sir

Yours of the 19 covering Bill of Lading of a cask of ~~silver bullion~~ plated pieces was duly rec^d. ~~[illegible]~~ The silver has since come to hand and ~~[illegible]~~ the assay thereof has been ~~[illegible]~~ accomplished ~~today~~. The value of this deposite payable in ~~[illegible]~~ silver coins of the U States when the coinage ~~shall be~~ has been effected in due ~~[illegible]~~ course is $5418.56 ~~$5418.56~~ ~~[illegible]~~ The gross weight when rec^d. agreed with that specified in your letter very nearly, being about half an ounce less. ~~but~~ It is proper however ~~[illegible]~~ to ~~ex~~ state ~~here~~ for your satisfaction, if ~~this~~ bullion in this form has not heretofore passed through your hands, that a part of the ~~[illegible]~~ rough weight of all plated pieces, as imported, ~~[illegible]~~ disappears ~~[illegible]~~ in the melting previous to ~~the~~ an assay, ~~partly~~ ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible]tion of [illegible] which ~~[illegible]~~ and sometimes water ~~[illegible]~~ absorbed ~~[illegible]~~ by the pores through the mass, both of which are of course dissipated by the melting heat, together with various impurities discharged in this process, will sufficiently account for the ~~[illegible]~~ loss, which varies in different specimens from ~~[illegible]~~ 2 to 8 per cent. — On this ~~[illegible]~~ deposit it has a little exceeded 3 per cent. — The weight after melting being 4263.10 Ounces dwts. Troy weight ~~[illegible]~~ and as plated ware usually does of ~~[illegible]~~ proving very well quality, yielding 4709.8 Ounces dwts. standard silver = 5433.92 ~~5418.56~~

from which deduct ~~[illegible]~~ for alloy according to law ― 5433.92
15.36

leaving as before stated nett am^t ― $5418.56

The Bank of the U. States, as well as various other Banks, will cash ~~[illegible]~~ Mint certificates at a ~~[illegible]~~ deduction of ½ per cent from their amount ~~[illegible]~~. If the transfer is made therefore ~~[illegible]~~ credit will be given ~~[illegible]~~ for 5418.56 less 27.09 = 5391.47.

This deduction is a ~~[illegible]~~ moderate compensation for the delay incident to coinage, which on an average somewhat exceeds 60 days ~~[illegible]~~ The delay in the present instance will not be ~~[illegible]~~ less than 90 days, many large ~~[illegible]~~ previous deposits being in our vaults. ~~[illegible]~~ Until you are therefore ~~[illegible]~~ aware of this deduction in this case, I have not made the transfer to the ~~U.S.~~ Bank, but will ~~[illegible]~~ immediately ~~[illegible]~~ do so should the measure, under the circumstances mentioned, ~~[illegible]~~ still meet your wishes. In the mean-time ~~[illegible]~~ it is arranged that any drafts which you may have forwarded, predicated on ~~the~~ anticipation of this credit, will be ~~[illegible]~~ honoured by the Bank U.S. ~~[illegible]~~ to the amount of $5391.47. If no drafts on this account have been forwarded, you will avail yourself of ~~the~~ a credit to the am^t. specified, at such moment as may be convenient advising me at the same time of your acquiescence in the transfer on the terms stated above. ~~Should you decide on [illegible] waiting the coinage of the deposit the am^t. will be paid to your order~~

Very respectfully

Yours &c

Sam^l Moore

Extract of a letter from Messrs Hottinguer to the Cashier of the Bank U States dated Paris, December 13th 1827

As to the new American half dollars of 1807 and 1808 they are received by the mint as containing 890/1000 of pure silver and weighing 13 grams 1/3 to 13 grams & a half the price of one thousand grams of Coin at 890/000 is f194-81c so that f2-61 are the value of one new American half dollar, it is said that old half dollars of 1795 have 906 to 915/1000 of pure silver and if so (as you may ascertain) they would be worth 1 or 2% more than those of 1808. We must observe that beyond the intrinsical value of the said pieces, a premium of ¼ to ½% may often be obtain on sales of Specie, to the dealers in Coin, & then the new half dollars would yield near of f2-62c

On the whole it appears that there is great uncertainty in the standard of this Coin and from what we hear of the Direction of the Mint they would not take them above the price of 890/000 without a trial.

Extract of a Letter from W & J Brown & Co

Liverpool 2 Jany 1828.

Denison & Co advise the sale of some Mexican dollars at 4/10½ say "From some new essays that have been taken of American dollars they are not found quite so fine as they were before thought to be, hence the difficulty in disposing of them has rather increased"

Cost of imported Copper

	⅌ Tons		
1820 —	07	$11,924 +	Exp. 259 — $
1821 —	40	25,959	2374
1824 —	15	10,039	385
1825 —	16 —	6.810	681
1826 —	10 —	7,419	733
"	21 —	12,451	751
1827 —	15 —	9,276 —	1043
"	10 —	5870 —	649
	138	89,753	6875
	20	6875	
	2760		
	112		

309120) 96628.0 (.31¼ Cents

June 23. 1827 Bolton
10.6 $6056
20 Ex. 715
206
112
23072 = $6771 (.29.4

July 1827 — 9.16 $5870
20 Ex. 649
196
112
21952 6519 (29.7
591
29.5

over

It appears therefore that
the expense of Copper from 1820
to 1827 inclusive, including all
charges until placed in the Mint
together with premium on exchange
has been computing from round
numbers ———— per pound cents 31¼

and

the cost in 1827 alone
including as above, per lb. cents 29½

An Importation of 48 Tons pay
in 1819 cost with Exchange &c $34,847 —
being at the rate of per pound 31½
and that in 1820 alone appears
to have cost

The value of Cents by Mint
Regulations is 41²/3 Cents per lb. Avoird.
———— 34²/7 " " " Troy

A Loss of 6 grains may be supposed to result from the inevitable waste in the process, having two pennyweights to allow for loss of copper by oxidation thereby raising the standard in a proportional degree —

On a careful assay checked by a standard piece the melted Mass was found to be 10.16, inclining rather to full weight. It is found that the fineness of the original weights deduced from this result is 10.15.13 agreeing so nearly with the fineness determined on the investigation in 1826 viz 10.15.12 that it may be considered as establishing the correctness of that result by so striking a coincidence.

Bolivian
dollars

Bolivian dollars of 1827.
bearing head of Bolivar —

50 dollars weighed as recd. without
cleaning & before melting — oz. d. gr. 43. 8. 6

After melting — 43 5.18

2.12

They were melted in a clean pot and the grains carefully collected — If the loss in weight about 6 grains may be estimated as consisting of the earthy & other adhesions to the surface leaving the clean wt. 43.8 which would average on each dollar 416.64 —

It is to be noted however that two of the same dollars weighed in small scale singly came an average of only 416.4 without deduction for that. It may be safe to say therefore that the clean wt. is 416.5 —

Mint of the United States
: Philada. Feb. 28. 1827

Sir

The bundle of steel mentioned in yours of the 12th has come safely to hand. The chief coiner Mr. Eckfeldt is pleased with the external appearance of the bars, and their size is adapted to the purpose of dies. He will find an occasion to test them quality of the article in the course of the next month and the result shall be promptly communicated to you. We shall be gratified if they prove to be of the desired quality.

Respectfully, Yours

Saml Moore

New york 12th Febry 1827

Sir!

In 1825 I had the honor to forward on to you a bundle of steel which I represented as being manufactured purposely for the dies of mints - but you wrote me that it would not answer this end. This of course surprised me, because I knew the success of the Article in all similar Establishments on the Continent of Europe except one, that of Copenhagen. But the circumstance stands now fully explained, for on examination of my stock of Steel, I find that the only bundle of mint Steel, imported by me upon trial, is still on hand, ~~and~~ and that consequently an error has been committed in sending you the common German Steel instead of the Bundle in question.

I therefore take herewith the liberty to enclose you bill of lading of the latter with a request that you would submit the same to a fair and full trial. At foot is the bill, for the amount of which you will give me credit, provided that the quality answers your expectation. In the contrary event you may either allow your market value for common German Steel - or keep the bundle at my disposal, as best suits your pleasure -

In hopes that your communication on this subject will be more flattering than the former, I remain very respectfully,

Sir

Your Obt Servt

= F. Gottfried Kohler

Saml. Moore Esqr
Superintendent of U S Mint
Philadelphia

FAK No. 18 1 Bundle Mint Steel weighg
235 lb at 25c

$58.75c

Merchants Bank.
Portland March 19 1827.

Samuel Moore Esqr
Director of the Mint of the United States,

Sir

I enclose a bill of lading for one Cask contg 42 ps (some small ps in a paper) wg 302 pounds & 7 oz avoirdupois wt of "Plata Piña" (pure Silver) have the goodness after the same is assay'd & its value ascertained to place the amount to the credit of this Bank in the Bank of the United States.

As there are a number of owners who wish to make a division of the above your early attention to it will be considered a particular favour

I am very respectfully
Yr obst
John Oxnard Cashr

367.6.10
57 60
27020
2569
1835
7 | 21139 20
302

5418.56
27.09
5391.47

Shipped in good order and well conditioned by Tho & Ed Motley for account & risk of Wm Swan W. Woodbury & Jos Tucker of Portland on board the Scho called the Eliza Jane whereof V. Pease is Master, now lying in the Port of BOSTON and bound for Philadelphia To say

Director of the Mint Philadelphia

One Cask cont'g 12 p'ds (& some small p's in a paper) W B Three hundred & two pounds seven ounces Avoirdupois Wt. of Plata piña

being marked and numbered as in the margin, and are to be delivered in the like order and condition, at the Port of Philadelphia the danger of the seas excepted unto the Director of the Mint or to his Assigns, ~~paying~~ freight for the said four Dollars paid by the Shippers with no primage and average accustomed. **In Witness** whereof the Master or Purser of the said Schr hath affirmed to three Bills of Lading, of this tenor and date; one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void. Dated in **BOSTON** the 17 day of March 1827

contents not unknown

Valentine Pease Jr

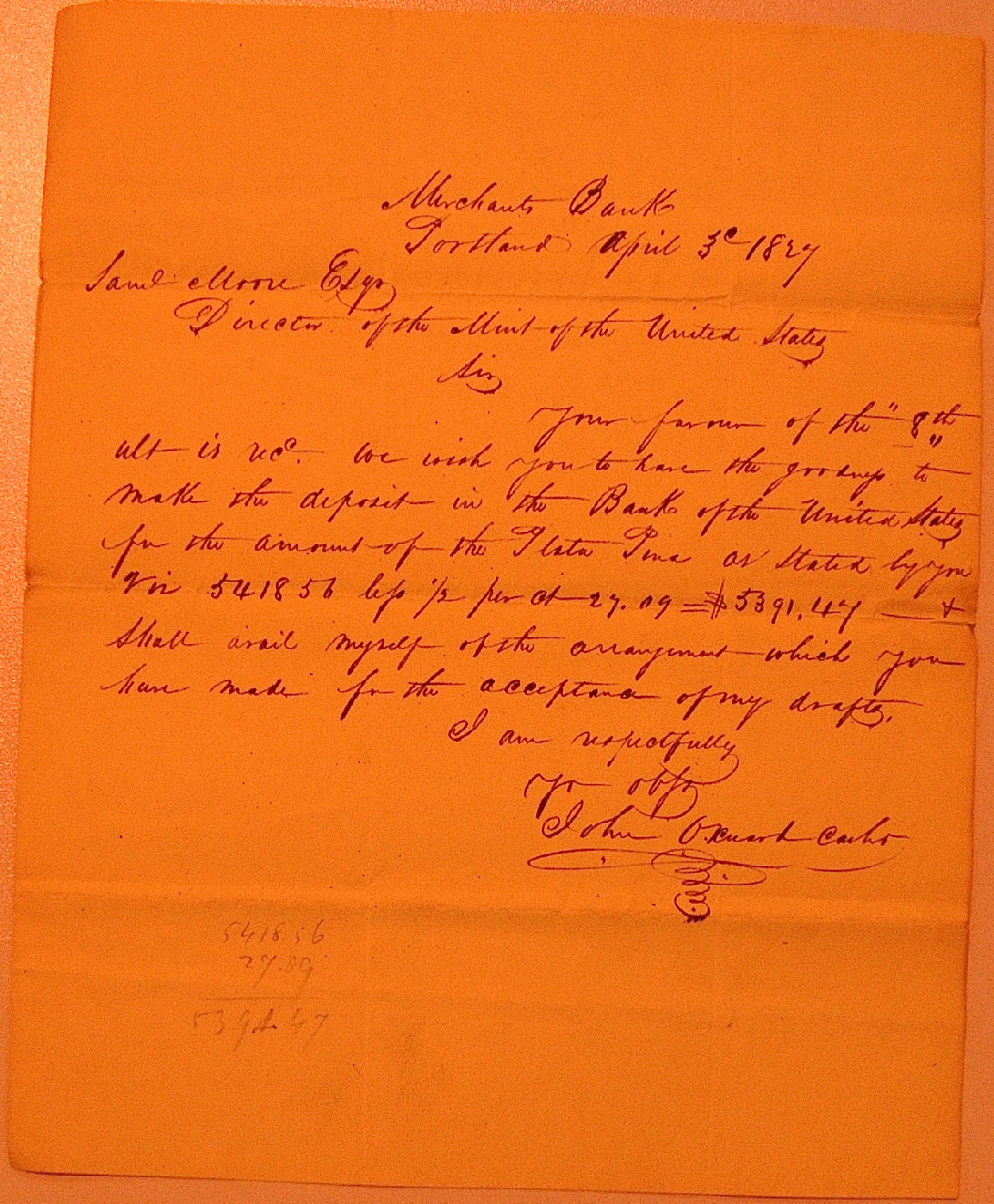
Mint of the United States
Philad. May 17. 1827

Sir

Yours of the 26th ulto. enclosing a mineral substance, was recd. a few days since. This specimen consists of sulphur & iron. It is properly denominated sulphuret of iron but frequently now called Pyrites an article diffused very much, under several varieties of form and appearance, throughout many [illegible] the United States. The brilliant points and surfaces which it often exhibits, have frequently attracted notice, but you may rest assured that it contains nothing which will reward your further attention.

Very respectfully
Yours &c
Saml. Moore

Benoni Staats Esqr.
P. Master
Smyrna
Harrison County
Ohio.



Merchants Bank
Portland April 3d 1827

Saml Moore Esqr
Director of the Mint of the United States

Sir

Your favour of the 8th ult is recd. We wish you to have the goodness to make the deposit in the Bank of the United States for the amount of the Plata Pina as stated by you viz 5418.56 less ½ per ct 27.09 = $5391.47 — & Shall avail myself of the arrangement which you have made for the acceptance of my drafts.

I am respectfully
Yr obt
John Oxnard Cashr

5418.56
27.09
5391.47

3/40 303

Birmingham 4th April 1827

Invoice of 30 Casks Copper Planchetts purchased on account and risk of Saml Moore Esqr Director of the Mint Philadelphia and consigned to the care of Messrs T & I D Thornely Liverpool

P
1 @ 30

	Gross Weight	Tare	Nett		
	c q lb oz	lb oz	c qr lb		
1	3 . 0 . 27 . 2	13 . 2	3 . 0 . 14		
2	3 . 1 . 12 . 12	12 . 12	3 . 1 . 0		
3	3 . 1 . 12 . 8	12 . 8	3 . 1 . 0		
4	3 . 1 . 13 . 0	13 . 0	3 . 1 . 0		
5	3 . 1 . 12 . 0	12 . 0	3 . 1 . 0		
6	3 . 1 . 13 . 0	13 . 0	3 . 1 . 0		
7	3 . 1 . 13 . 4	13 . 4	3 . 1 . 0		
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			Amount carried forward		729 . 18 . 5

	£	s	d	£	s	d
Amount brought forward	729	18	5			
Discount £10 pr Ton for reduction in price of Copper	50	9	-	679	9	5
30 Casks 3/9 is 112/6 Freight to Liverpool 204/				15	16	6
				695	3	11
Insurance on £720.0.0 at 25/ p c	9	-	-			
Export Duty on £695.0.0 at 10/ p c	3	9	6			
Policy 48/ Bills of Lading 3/6	2	11	6			
Cartage Porterage & Storage	4	6	-			
Dock & Town Dues	-	16	4			
Commission forwarding &c Postages 4/	4	8	-	24	11	4
			£	719	15	3

Errors Excepted

Wm. Harrold Senr

695. 3. 11
139

11,302 lbs Avoirdupois at 7000 grs to 1 lb Troy, makes
13,735 lbs 0 Ounces 16 dwt 16 grs Troyweight, at 7 dwt. to 1 Cent Ds. 4,709.16.5 m

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Birmingham April 4th. 1827

Dr. Moore

Sir

We have the pleasure to annex an invoice of Coppe
Planchetts to your esteemed order & confidently hope you will not
this time have to complain of the quality of them; we have done
all in our power to send them of a good colour and form, and in
the opinion of several persons in this town, they are as good as
be manufactured: from the favourable state of the market we ha
been enabled to send them at an unusually low rate, and tr
this will be an inducement to you to give us another contract.
If we had a discretion always to buy on certain terms, we could
almost venture to engage that at least once in the year we could
send as low as in the present instance

We remain
Sir
Very respectfully
Your Obliged & Obedient Servants

Wm. Harrold Senr

P 1 @ 30 = 30 Casks

F T

Meas 70 — @ 1/ p ft

£ 3.10 —

Primage 3.6

£ 3.13.6

$ 16.33

RECEIVED, in good order and condition, from THOMAS and JOHN D. THORNELY, of *Liverpool*, on board the good Ship or Vessel called the Tuscarora whereof I, Jas Serrell am Master, now lying in the *Port of Liverpool*, and bound for Philadelphia

Thirty Casks Hardware

marked and numbered as in the Margin, and to be delivered in the like good Order and Condition, (the Dangers and Accidents of the Seas and of Navigation, of whatsoever kind excepted) at the aforesaid Port of Philadelphia unto Samuel Moore Esqr Director of the Mint or to his Assigns, on Payment of the Freight, Forty Shillings British Sterling per Ton of Forty Cubic Feet, and Five per Cent. Primage with Average accustomed, at the Par of Exchange.

In witness whereof I subscribe four Bills of Lading, of this Tenor and Date, one of which being accomplished, the rest to be void. *Liverpool*, 7 April 1827

Contents unknown

James M Serrell

The temporary [illegible] return to the Bank of the U States of the sum mentioned in the ~~[illegible]~~ above Letter has been on full advisement deemed proper & conformable to the spirit of the 23d regulation of the Mint. The deposite referred to having been charged to the acc.t of the Melter & Refiner the amt. withdrawn will be replaced in his Records when refunded by the Bank or if not so refunded a warrant will be granted in his favour to cover that amount.

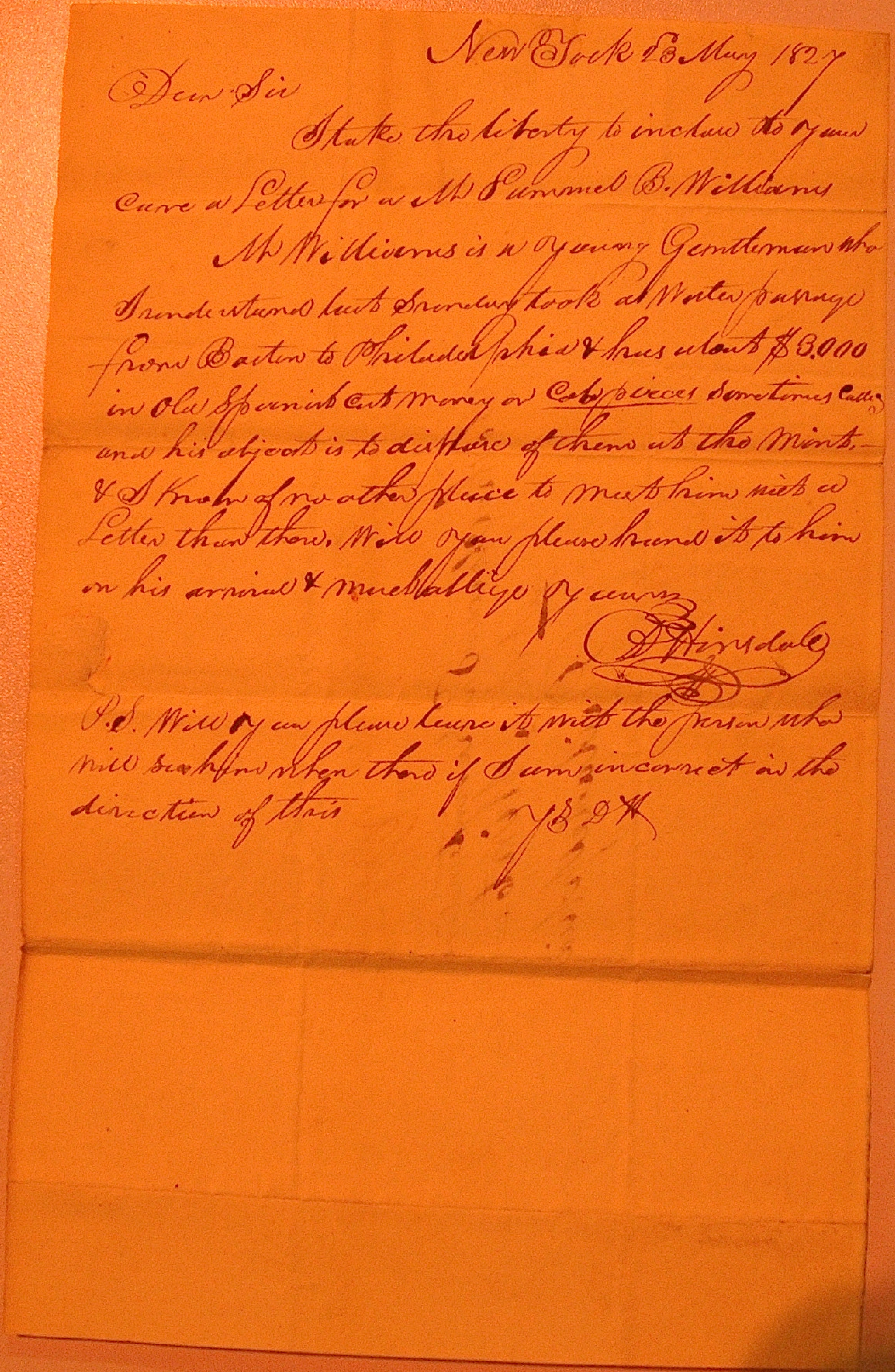
Saml Moore

May 7. 1827

Rec.t B. U. S.
for part of deposit
of Mexican Dollars
withdrawn —

1322

Recd May 2d 1827 from the Mint of the United States fifteen thousand Mexican ~~and Spanish~~ dollars [illegible] being so much withdrawn from a deposite for coinage made by the Bank of the United States on the thirteenth day of [illegible] March last conformably to the certificate of said deposite No 1964 and to be replaced in the possession of the proper officer of the Mint on demand



New York 23 May 1827

Dear Sir

I take the liberty to inclose to your care a Letter for a Mr Samuel B. Williams

Mr Williams is a young Gentleman who I understand last Sunday took a Water passage from Boston to Philadelphia & has about $3.000 in Old Spanish Cut money or Cob pieces sometimes called and his object is to dispose of them at the Mint. — & I know of no other place to meet him with a Letter than there. Will you please hand it to him on his arrival & much oblige yours

D Hinsdale

P.S. Will you please leave it with the person who will see him when there if I am incorrect in the direction of this

Yrs D H

Philada. May 28. 1827

Comr. I. Hull

To A. Eckfeldt Chief Coiner of the Mint

To 5 Medals of fine silver weighing 20 ounces 15 dwt. — equal to 23 ounces 5 dwts. standard	$ 26.82½
Preparing silver, wastage, &c. @ 1.75 —	8.75
	35.57½

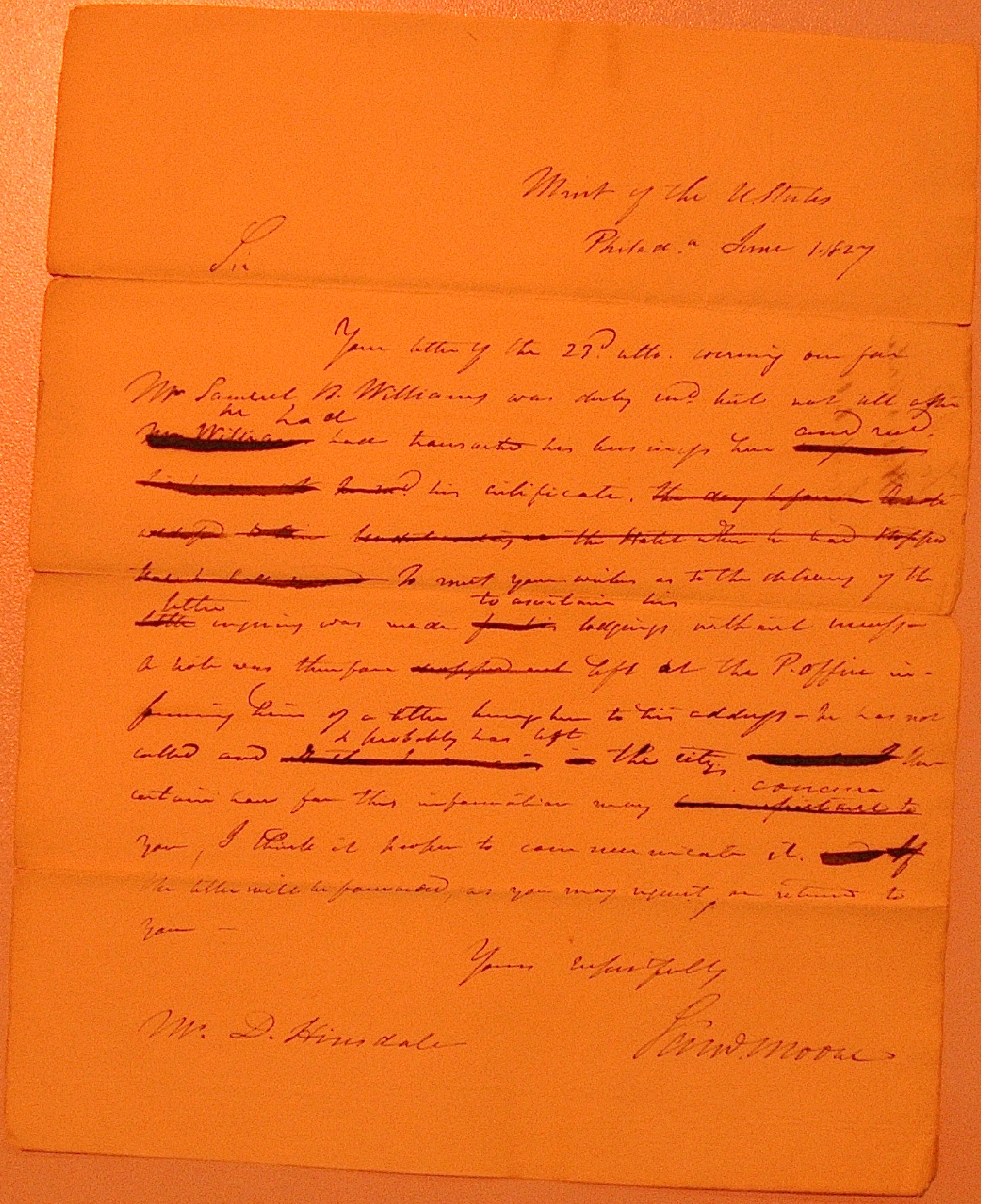
Sir

The above Medals were struck by order ~~of Mr. Harrison~~ of the Navy Agent in addition to those directed by ~~[illegible]~~ the resolution of Congress, and as it was understood ~~[illegible]~~ in compliance with ~~the wishes of Comr. Hull~~ your request. [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ settlement ~~[illegible]~~ with the Agent ~~[illegible]~~ did not take place till Dec. 1824 ~~[illegible]~~ when these Medals were excluded from the public account. The subject was referred by Mr. Harrison to your agent at Boston [illegible] in unsafe hands, but [illegible]

No opportunity of ~~[illegible]~~ calling ~~the~~ your attention ~~of Comr. Hull~~ to this circumstance has ~~[illegible]~~ until now occurred. ~~[illegible] by Mr. Harrison [illegible]~~ If you will be so obliging as to call again at the Mint the transaction will be ~~[illegible]~~ fully explained.

Comr. Hull.

A. Eckfeldt



Mint of the U. States
Philad.a June 1827

Sir

Your letter of the 23d ulto. covering one for Mr Samuel B. Williams was duly recd. but not till after ~~Mr Williams~~ he had transacted his business here ~~and recd.~~ [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ his certificate. ~~The day before [illegible] addressed [illegible] the Hotel where he had stopped [illegible]~~ To meet your wishes as to the delivery of the ~~letter~~ letter inquiry was made ~~for his~~ to ascertain his lodgings without success — A note was therefore ~~[illegible]~~ left at the P. Office informing him of a letter having been to his address — he has not called and ~~[illegible]~~ probably has left ~~in~~ the city. [illegible] Uncertain how far this information may ~~[illegible] interest to~~ concern you, I think it proper to communicate it. [illegible] The letter will be forwarded, as you may request, or returned to you —

Yours respectfully
Saml. Moore

Mr. D. Hinsdale

Mint of the U. States
Philad^a. June 15. 1829

Sir

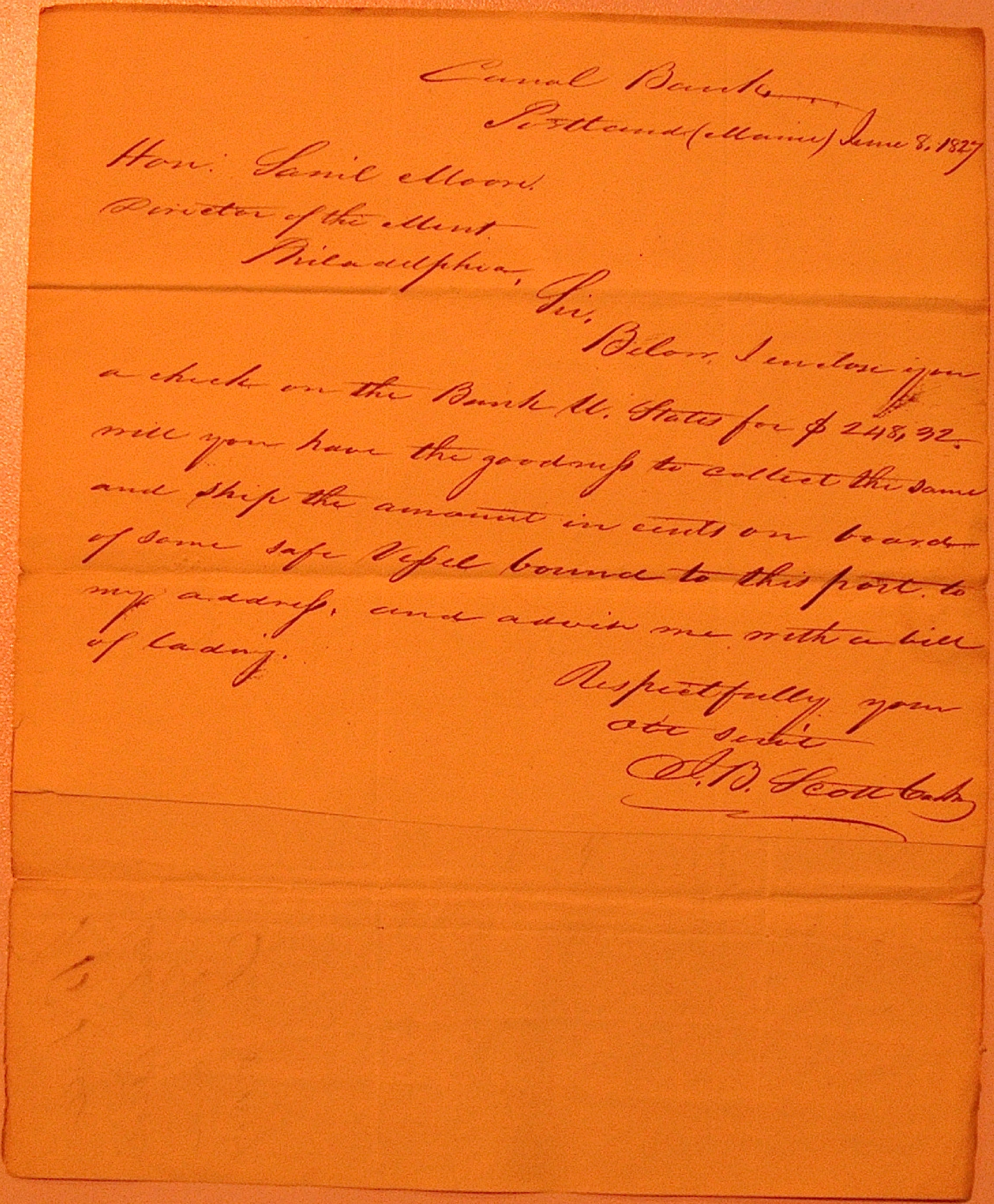
Yours of the 8th. enclosing a draft for $2465.32 came ~~[illegible]~~ to hand on the 13th. The amount thereof in cents is this day forwarded to your address as requested. No vessel ~~[illegible]~~ being now here for Portland, nor expected immediately ~~[illegible]~~, we ~~[illegible] the~~ ship by the way New York, through ~~the~~ our accustomed Agents ~~of the Mint~~ there with proper instructions ~~[illegible]~~ which no doubt will be promptly complied with by one of the opportunities regularly occurring there.

The Bill of Lading ~~[illegible]~~ which you have herewith, will of course be accomplished at New York; this circumstance is however immaterial ~~[illegible]~~ no insurance being necessary on your part, ~~and~~ as the transportation of copper coins from the Mint is ~~[illegible]~~ at the expense & risk of the U. States. Very respectfully ~~[illegible]~~

Yours &c

Sam^l. Moore

To J. B. Scott Esq^r
Cash^r. Canal Bank Portland.



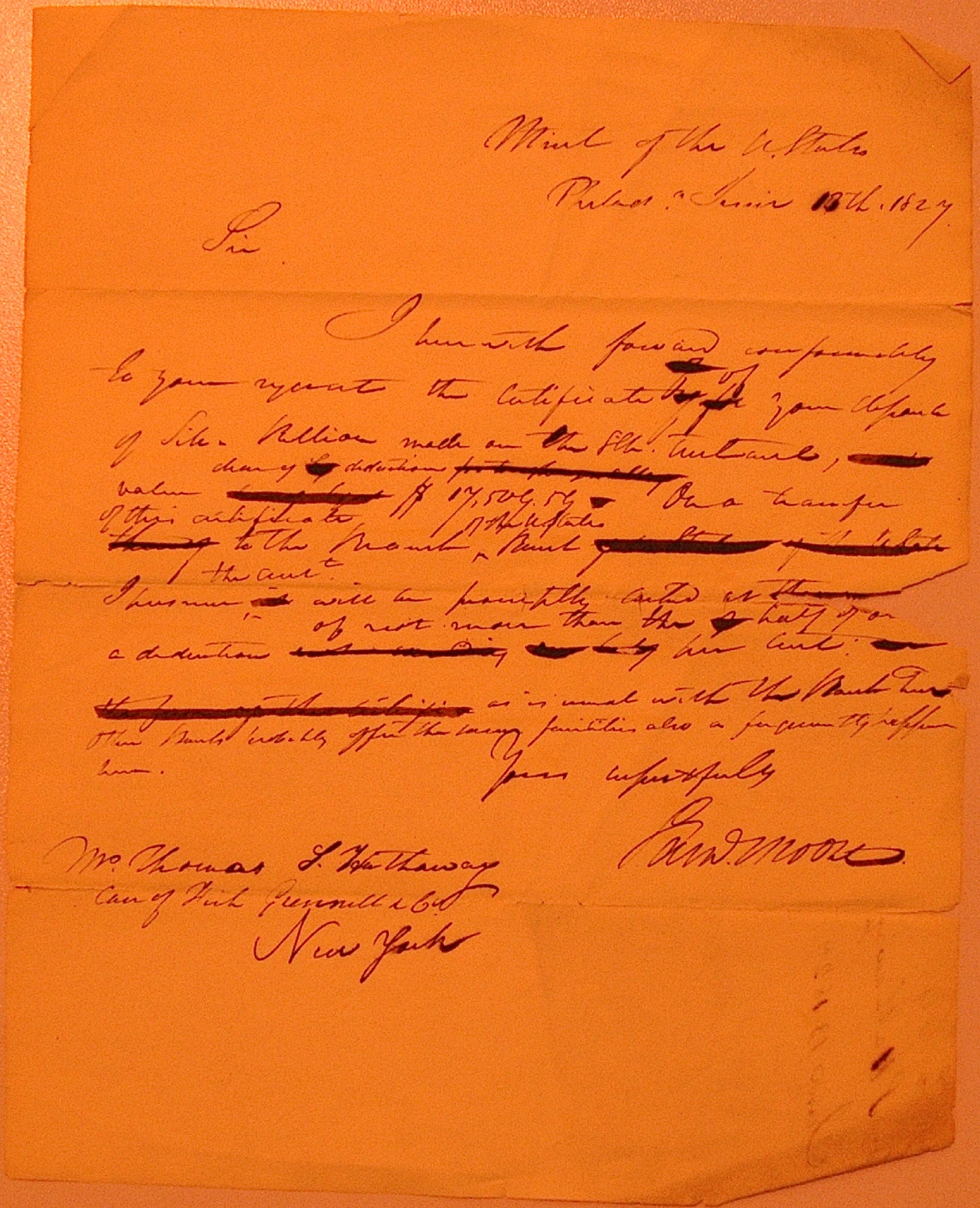
Canal Bank
Portland (Maine) June 8, 1827

Hon. Saml Moore
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia,

Sir,

Below, I enclose you a check on the Bank U. States for $ 248,32. will you have the goodneſs to collect the same and ship the amount in cents on board of some safe Veſsel bound to this port, to my addreſs, and advise me with a bill of lading.

Respectfully your
obt servt
S. B. Scott Cashr



Mint of the U. States
Philad.a June 13th. 1827

Sir

I herewith forward conformably to your request the certificate ~~[illegible]~~ of your deposit of Silver Bullion made on the 8th. instant, ~~[illegible]~~ value ~~[illegible]~~ charge & deductions ~~[illegible]~~ $ 17,509.59. On a transfer of this certificate ~~[illegible]~~ to the Branch of the U. States Bank ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ the amt. I presume ~~it~~ will be promptly cashed ~~at the~~ a deduction ~~[illegible]~~ of not more than the ~~[illegible]~~ half of one ~~[illegible]~~ per cent. ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ as is usual with the Bank here. Other Banks probably offer the same facilities also as frequently happen here.

Yours respectfully
Saml. Moore

Mr. Thomas L. Hathaway
Care of Fish Grinnell & Co.
New York

		Oz. dwt		Oz. dwt	
Dollars —	Gross wt.	3319=15	= Stand.	3248=4	= $ 3747.92½
Test bottoms	" "	544=0	"	598=12	690.69
					4438.61½

Deduct for refining and alloy 10.00
Certificate No. 2053 = $ 4428.61½

Bars or Pigs Gross wt. Oz. dwt 2987=15 Stand. Oz. dwt 3210=1 = $ 3703.90
Deduct for alloy . . 6.69
Certificate No. 2061 3.697.21 ~~$ 3697.21~~
[redacted] ~~8125.82½~~

Value of the Gold in the bars or pigs after defraying the expense of separating etc 369.70 = 4066.91
&c 8495.52½

[redacted] Above is a specification [redacted] as required [redacted] of the deposite rec'd from New Orleans Oct. 25th through the Bank of Pensa. [redacted]

Yours respectfully

C. Chauncey Esqr
Cashier &c

Saml Moore

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, Jany. 10th 1827

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 9186 *on the Bank of the United States, for dollars,* 233"45— *the amount of Warrant, No.* 66— *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury,* ~~*on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an* early~~ *acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

Th. T. Tucker

Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esqr
Treasr. Mint

Jany. 20. 1829

Gentlemen

I perceive in ~~the~~ your report of the ~~[illegible]~~ on a ~~[illegible]~~ suggestion from proceedings of Senate of the U.S. that, the Chairman of the Committee on Finance ~~[illegible]~~ 500 extra copies of the report from the Mint, referred to that Committee on the previous day are ordered to be printed – I presume therefore this is the report on foreign coins under a resolution of the Senate of the 10th May last ~~[illegible]~~ though in the notice of its presentation to the Senate it ~~[illegible]~~ was denominated the Annual report. ~~[illegible]~~ Of this last it is not usual to print extra copies.

If it be the report alluded to on for. coins ~~[illegible]~~ the character of its matter, its particular ~~[illegible]~~ facts ~~its~~ details and the minuteness of ~~the~~ its calculations ~~[illegible]~~ render it specially desirable to give ~~that it~~ to be permitted to give an inspection of it before it is published ~~should pass to the public free of errors or defects~~ – I bear witness with great pleasure to the astonishing accuracy with which ~~the~~ public documents are issued from your Office but should nevertheless feel gratified on this occasion by your permission ~~[illegible]~~ if not considered ~~[illegible]~~ improper to see ~~[illegible]~~ a proof ~~[illegible]~~ copy of the whole report ~~before it is published~~.

It will reach me at noon and will ~~[illegible]~~ be returned without fail sometimes by the following mail which closes at 7 A.M. – You can thus eliminate the whole delay –

My wish on this subject is mentioned by the present mail to ~~the~~ ~~[illegible]~~ the Chairman of the Committee having ~~[illegible]~~ without the paper ~~[illegible]~~ though done upon the same it may be desirable ~~[illegible]~~ to transmit it –

Messrs Gales & Seaton
Washington

I am very respectfully
Your obed Servt
Saml Moore

Jany 20th 1827

Sir

In the proceedings of Senate of the 18th, read by the papers today, I perceive 500 extra copies of the report from the Mint referred on the day previous to the Committee on Finance, are ordered ~~on your requisition~~ to be printed — ~~[illegible]~~ I presume ~~that~~ this is the report on for. coins under the resolution of Senate of thirtieth of May last, though in the notice of the proceeding of the 17th, as given in the papers, it is called the annual Mint report.

If it be the report on for. coins alluded to, the peculiar character of ~~the~~ its matter and the minute details it embraces render it very desirable to me to have an opportunity of ~~the~~ reviewing a proof copy before it is published ~~[illegible]~~ notwithstanding the ~~[illegible]~~ usual uniformity ~~[illegible]~~ and accuracy with which ~~[illegible]~~ these things are executed ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ by Messrs. Gales & Seaton — This request ~~[illegible]~~ is communicated to them — by the present mail. ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~If the manner~~ If the manner meets ~~[illegible]~~ approbation, ~~[illegible]~~ please ~~[illegible]~~ have the goodness to advise it — The Document will reach me about noon and ~~[illegible]~~ be returned with ~~[illegible]~~ my final corrections ~~[illegible]~~ if any there be, necessary, by the mail of the following day which closes at 7 A.M. —

I ~~[illegible]~~ am with
great respect
Your obed Servt
Saml Moore

Hon. Samuel Smith
Chairman, Com. on Finance —

Washington Jany 23d 1827

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 20th was recd. yesterday, and the enclosed letter placed by me soon thereafter in the hands of Mr Seaton— I have no doubt but that your request will be complied with.— Genl. Smith told me to day that he had particularly requested them to do so—

It is not the annual Report, but it is the special Report pursuant to the Senate Resolution of May which is refer'd, & which has been complimented by the order for extra copies,— The Stenographers [illegible] been guilty of ~~m~~ misnomers— Gales, less frequently than the others, but he is not exempt from the fault— and I do not wonder that it should be the case, occasionally, at least — Genl Smith moved the additional copies and is under the impression as he said to me, that it was an interesting Report and ought to be in the hands of all the Banks &c

I frequently meet with Dr. Sewall, and will embrace the first opportunity to comply with your request — The Doctor had the goodness to enclose to me through the "frank" medium of Dr. Condict a copy of his introductory Lecture — my opinion of which

— I am happy to perceive accords entirely with yours — The Doctor is now giving Lectures daily at the College, but I very much doubt whether a medical School succeeds well at this place for years to come — there are older Schools, enjoying superior advantages which will very naturally take the lead —

A motion having for its object a denial at this time of relief to the woolen manufacturers has been freely debated in the H. of Reps — and is just negatived by a respectable majority — of course the consideration of the bill will proceed, under a reasonable expectation of its passage, or that something will be done, as the vote was intended & understood to be a test vote —

I was pleased that I accidentally became for a day a fellow traveller with your daughter Matilda — I feel as if there was a sort of New-Jersey relationship between us — Be so good as to give her my best respects —

I will procure, & send you a copy of the Report when printed —

Yours Respectfully

Eph. Bateman

Dr Sam. Moore

Dr Sir,

The document ordered to be printed, is that to which you allude — Considered of great importance and moved for the printing of 500 Extra Copies — I have requested D. G. Printer to comply with your wish

yours truly

S. Smith

Senate Chamber

22d Jany 1829

I return the proof sheets you were so obliging as to send me. The minute corrections are noted in the figure work. They are in the component parts of the Ducat. One, two or three other corrections will be found in the Tables. It is usual in tables of this character for the names of the locations to be given in small capitals the initials forming a vertical line in the manner of the accompanying specimen which have been prepared by my direction and which I take the liberty of submitting to you in the hope that it will meet your approbation to adopt it as far as may be convenient or not. & the points by which the grains & decimals of grains are separated in the proof copy singularly are large.

In the pages of the report a variety of corrections are noted — Some of them are verbal corrections of the originals which render the text less liable to be misunderstood. In every instance I believe they admit of being introduced without increasing the number of lines in the paragraph to which they pertain.

This report embraces details calculated to attract attention and the extra copies ordered by the Senate will occasion its distribution to a considerable effect. I am on this account the more anxious that the corrections noticed may receive attention.

Excuse the trouble my requests on this behalf have occasioned you & believe me

Mint of the U. States
Philad.a Jan. 26. 1827

Mess.rs Gales & Seaton

Gentlemen

I return the ~~[illegible]~~ proof sheets you were so obliging as to send me — ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ Five minute corrections are ~~wh~~ in the figure work ~~of the Table~~, they are in the component parts of the ~~[illegible]~~ ~~I imagine were in the~~ ~~copy original~~ — Only two or three other corrections ~~will~~ found in the tables ~~to be found in the table~~ — ~~I ask the your attention to the specimen of the letter part of~~ It is usual in tables of this character for the names of the Countries to be given in small capitals the initials forming a particular name in the manner ~~[illegible]~~ of the accompanying ~~[illegible]~~ specimen ~~which~~ ~~I have had it [illegible]~~ ~~and for the [illegible] [illegible] of the printed letter to be in the same [illegible]~~ which has been prepared by my direction ~~[illegible] I take the liberty of submitting to you~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ which I [illegible] and take the liberty of submitting to your ~~[illegible]~~ in the hope that it will ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ meet your approbation to adopt it as far as may be convenient ~~or as your opinion~~ — The points by which the grains & decimals of grains are separated in the proof sheets are not ~~[illegible]~~ particularly large —

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The ~~probability, that the~~ ~~report will~~ ~~[illegible]~~.

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Yours &c

Saml Moore

No. 58
Gales & Seaton
Dec. 26. 1827
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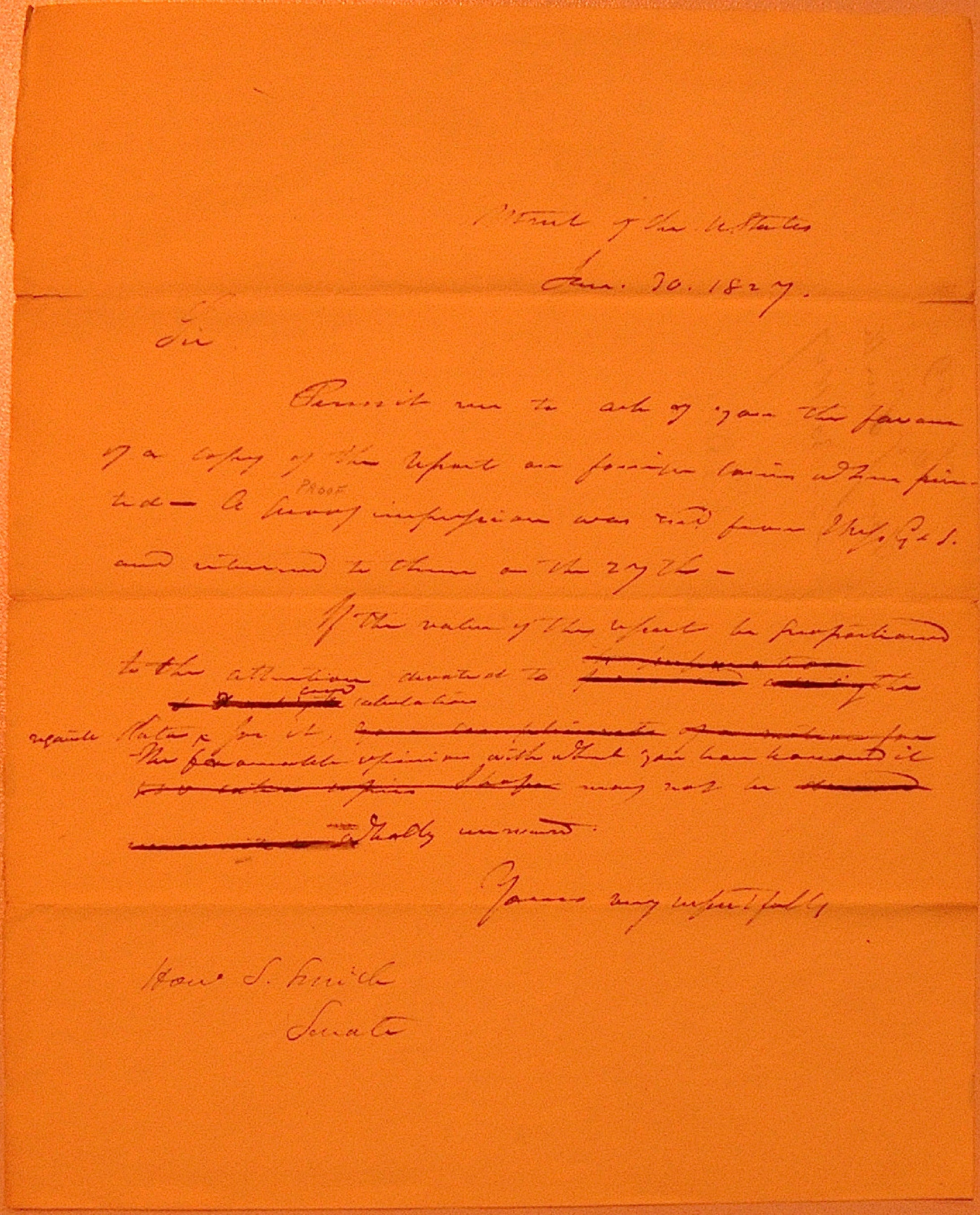

Bank of the U. States

Jan. 30. 1827.

Sir

Permit me to ask of you the favour of a copy of the report on foreign coins when printed — A proof impression was rec'd from Mess. G & S. and returned to them on the 27th —

If the value of this report be proportioned to the attention devoted to ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ the ~~[illegible]~~ tedious calculation requisite states for it, ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ for the favourable opinion with which you have honoured it ~~[illegible]~~ may not be ~~[illegible]~~ wholly unmerited.

Yours very respectfully

Hon. S. Smith
Senate

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, Nov. 29th *1828.*

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 67. *on the Bank of the United States, for Dollars,* 2893=40 — *the amount of Warrant No.* 227 *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an early* acknowledgment, specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am

Sir, your obedient servant,

WILLIAM CLARK,

Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esqr.

Decr 19. 1828

weighed 1000 Spanish dollars
of dates averaging from
1812 to 1821, weighed in
their usual unwashed
condition — weighed — 72.0.0
10 being retained for
special trial the remaining —
990 weighed — 71.3.9
after melting these
990 weighed — 70.11.5
Grains — 4} 70.11.9

Loss — 4.0

the 10 pieces cleaned
lost in weighing 3 grains
which on 990 = would be 12.9
nett Loss by melting Ounces 3.7.15
which is incredible
the fineness after melting was 10.15.12
over

of the ten coined, one proved
a counterfeit & the fineness of
the others will be seen in
paper marked A.B.

1000 Mexicans

before melting — 72.3.2

after melting 71.11.0

grains — 3.2

72.2.2

deduct loss
in fluxing grains

The above loss in
melting was about
one ounce – these were
Mexican dollars of the year 1828

for their fineness see paper
marked B.C.

oz — oz dw gr — oz

12 —— 10-15-12 —— 100

20

215

24

862

431

24

12)517200(43100(1795-20

48 — 24 — 199-12

37 — 191 — 16-15

36 — 165 — 2011-23

12 — 236 — 100-11-23 American Standd.

216

140 — 7-12 added in my Report

120

20 — 4-11 as an allowance for dirt & occasional counterfeits

Calculation of
Mr Richardson
to prove the ordi-
nary report of Span
dollars at the Mint
is correct.
Dec. 1828

The annex'd Statement furnishes the result of 5 Aſsays made of Ten Mexican dollars all of them dated 1828. Two Aſsays of a Melt of 1000 dollars of the same description & date. Also one aſsay of a Proof-piece $\overset{\text{oz dwt}}{\text{10-16}}$ fine. The first Column exhibits the weight of each ~~each~~ aſsay contrasted with the Proof-piece. which it may be observ'd weighed $\overset{\text{oz dwt gr}}{\text{10-15-18}}$. The second Column contains the actual weight of each Aſsay unconnected with the Proof

Proof-piece of $\overset{\text{oz dwt}}{\text{10-16}}$ fine . . . $\overset{\text{oz dwt gr}}{\text{10-15-18}}$

	oz dwt grs		oz dwt grs
No. 1 made of 2 pieces	10-15-0	No. 1	10-14-18
2 . . ditto	10-15-6	2	10-15-0
3 . . ditto	10-15-18	3	10-15-12
4 . . . ditto	10-14-12	4	10-14-6
5 . . . ditto	10-15-6	5	10-15-0
6 of the Melt	10-15-12	6	10-15-6
7 . . . ditto	10-15-6	7	10-15-0
	7) 75-6-12		7) 75-4-18
Average quality . . .	10-15-5 1/7	Average quality . .	10-14-23 1/7

Foriegn gold Coins

British Sovereign	1826	22-0
Portugues	1813	22-0
French	1817	21-2 3/8
Spanish	1802	20-3 1/4
ditto	1816	20-2 1/4

Mint of the U. States

Decr. 22d. 1828

Sir

Your letter of the 18th. requesting on behalf of the Com. on the Mint, information respecting its condition & the means expedient for its support & extension was recd. late on Satur-day. ~~I cannot reply to it by the present~~ My communication will be accordingly forwarded by the Mail ~~tomorrow~~ ~~mail but will be able to do so~~ tomorrow.

Very respectfully

Your obt. Servt.

Saml. Moore

Hon. John Sergeant

Chairm. Com. on the Mint

~~Private~~ Private

Dear Sir —

Decr 30. 1828

I enclose ~~the~~ form of a Bill on the subject of the Mint agreeably to your request, & have drawn it with some variations as you will observe. ~~[illegible]~~ It is desirable that the liberty of selecting a new site may be given without ~~[illegible]~~ ~~supposing~~ presenting the necessary removal, & that seems to be attained in ~~both forms~~. ~~The first form~~ in both [illegible] the Sect. of [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ likely to ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ entertaining ~~[illegible]~~ soon ~~[illegible]~~ views in this ~~[illegible]~~ respect. ~~[illegible] the subject to be committed to the [illegible] of the [illegible] in the first form will [illegible] effect, without [illegible]~~ You will may be ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] Judge however of the propriety of either of the forms could ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] to some alter & may ~~be necessary~~ adopt the one which will be proper

You will please [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Honl. Jno. Sergeant

Yours truly Saml Moore

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[illegible] Saml Moore
Dec. 30 1828
Letter in respect
to New Mint

Be it enacted &c That for the purpose of further extending the Mint establishment, conformably to the increasing demand for coinage, the Director of the Mint be and he is hereby authorized to procure the requisite lot or lots of ground ~~and~~ to ~~be built~~ erect thereon suitable buildings according to a design thereof which shall have been approved by the President of the United States, and to procure such additional machinery as may be best adapted to the purpose aforesaid and that the sum of One hundred thousand dollars be & the same is hereby appropriated therefor, to be paid &c &c

Be it enacted &c That in order to the further extension, conformably to the increasing demand for coinage, of the Mint establishment, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the ~~[illegible]~~ purchase of the requisite lot or lots of ground and the erection thereon of suitable buildings according to a design thereof which shall have been approved by the President of the United States and for procuring such additional machinery as may be best adapted to the purpose aforesaid and that the sum of dlrs thus appropriated be paid &c

Less than 110 or 120,000 dollars would not perhaps be sufficient if the N. York machinery is purchased, but I presume the engine only would be obtained next session which would be in time

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Jany.	19.	from Mr. Bolton —	.14½
Mar.	24	from J. E. Morley —	.18½
	26	from Cash. Bk. Portland with Bill Lading —	.50
Apl.	3 -	from Cash. Bk. Portland	.25
[illegible]	14 —	Harold & Son —	.27
	14 —	Bolton —	.12½
[illegible]	2	Bolton of Apl. 23d.	.06
		Bolton —	.14
		duplicate Bolton of Apl. 23d. dub.	6
June	20.	Phenix Bank N.Y. —	12½
July	9 -	Bolton —	6
	16 —	Bolton —	14
Aug.	1	Bolton —	14
"	28.	letters to ship by Packet —	12½
Sep. —		Bolton —	14 -
		To Mr. Gallatin via N.Y.	25

2.7

brot. forward	2.71
Oct. letters from [illegible] Henniger	.28
from Bail[illegible]	.06
Nov. 22. W. Page	.18 3/4
Nov 30. — 2 letters [illegible] Hunders [illegible]	.12
Dec 18 — Waltham ~~[illegible]~~ letter [illegible] Printing Machinery	.33
22. Elliot	.12½
	3.77¼
Last a[illegible] p[illegible]	1.83
Paid Dec 31 1827.	5.60

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Jany. 19 — One letter to M. R. Waltham in N. Y.	.06
Feb. 3 — Waltham	.12½
June 1. To Sunday postages	0.50

from M. R. Waltham —
New York

Decr. 23d. 1828

My dear Sir

I forward by this mail a communication for the Committee, presuming that it embraces the considerations of chief moment in sufficient detail.

Please suggest any thing that you think I ought farther to do. As to the expense, there can be little certainty until the plan of the building is more precisely settled & this will depend in some measure on the lot. 100,000 or 120,000 it appears to me might reach the whole object including new machinery but not including perhaps the lot. I have no strong preference for the present site ~~but~~ and think it probable another more ~~have thought it right to keep it in a~~ eligible may be procured at about the ~~[illegible] attitude~~, ~~not knowing~~ lower expense. ~~whether there may not be danger~~

I ~~[illegible]~~ the annexation of the plan will
divide [illegible] of [illegible] on the Board of the
Visit — You will judge whether this is to be
in any way expressed in the bill — ~~I should
want to see the contents of it put into effect~~

Nothing has been heard of certain professors
recommended last session & not acted on. I incline to let all rest now but the main concern. If a new bill be constructed the commencement of its operations would offer a fit occasion for embracing all the existing professors in a single act & adding such others as should be ~~[illegible]~~ calculated to perfect the organization of the Institution —

Yours truly,

Hon. Robt Taylor

James Madison

To
Mr Taylor
Dec. 23. 1828
See letter of
in Book B

11401.

Mint of the U. States
Phila. Novr. 28. 1828

Sir

Yours of the 2d ulto. ~~[illegible]~~ offering scale beams was duly recd. ~~[illegible]~~ I feel obliged by the attention of Dr. Webster ~~in~~ in ~~communicating~~ mentioning to you the purchase of one ~~other [illegible] the [illegible]~~ and to you for your ~~[illegible]~~ satisfactory communication. ~~[illegible]~~

When your letter was recd. ~~[illegible]~~ I entertained the expectation of soon being in possession of two beams of our ~~[illegible]~~ which had been made by Mr. Adams in pursuance of what [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ in reply ~~[illegible]~~ your writing ~~[illegible]~~. They were recd. after ~~[illegible]~~ a lapse of some weeks from that time and on being opened are found to be ~~[illegible]~~ of good construction very neatly ~~[illegible]~~, and corresponding with those described in your letter. This renders it ~~necessary~~ superfluous to apply for them ~~[illegible]~~ on behalf of the Mint. ~~[illegible]~~ In the hope however of finding a purchaser ~~for the balance [illegible]~~

~~prices of which appear to me very reason-~~
~~able~~, I beg ~~[illegible]~~ your letter with the prices
of the estate Bank who at first appears ~~[illegible]~~
~~[illegible]~~ inclined to add them to the beams al-
of the Bank
ready in ~~their~~ possession, one of which ~~[illegible]~~
I ~~am~~ informed ~~is~~ from your hand. It was
not until two days since that ~~[illegible]~~
~~to at~~ ~~[illegible]~~ I am told
~~[illegible]~~ ~~this the [illegible]~~ that the Bank
does not ~~[illegible]~~ consider ~~the~~ any
of this description
additional ~~[illegible]~~ scale beams necessary for the
purpose. The price of the beams appears very reasonable.
I will mention the subject to some
shall with pleasure
of our Banks and ~~[illegible]~~ inform you
of any favourable result. ~~[illegible]~~

~~[illegible]~~

Yr very respectfully
Wm Moore

Mr. Allan Pollock
Boston

Wm Moore
Boston
Nov 2 1828
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Bank of Michigan

Sir

Detroit Nov 27. 1828

Yours of the 10th Inst. is recd. I wrote you some time since that the season was so far advanced that it would be impracticable to forward the remainder of the Cents the present season. I have received the number of Kegs as advised containing Two thousand five hundred Dollars –

respectfully your

Obt. Servt.

E. P. Hastings

Prest

Saml. Moore Esq

Director &c

1828

United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 28, 1828.

Moore, Samuel, Director,
to
Allan Pollock, Boston, Mass.

Yours of the 2nd September, respecting scale beams was duly received. I feel obliged by the attention of Dr. Webster in mentioning to you the purport of my letter to him on the subject and to you for your satisfactory communication.

When your letter was received I entertained the expectation of soon being in possession of two beams from Washington which had been used by Mr. Adams in preparing his report on Weights & Measures and wished to see them before writing in reply. They were received after a lapse of some weeks from that time, and on being opened were found to be of your construction and corresponding very nearly with those described in your letter. This rendered it superfluous to apply for them on behalf of ~~finding a purchaser.~~ THE MINT.

IN THE HOPE OF FINDING A PURCHASER, I left your letter with the Cashier of the United States Bank, who at first appeared inclined to add them to the beams already in possession of the Bank, one of which, I am informed, is from your hand.

It was not until two days since, that I have found that the Bank does not consider any additional scale beams of this structure necessary for its purposes.

The price of the beams appears very reasonable. I will mention the subject to some other of our Banks and shall with pleasure inform you of any favorable result.

Yours very respectfully,

SAMUEL MOORE, Director.

Dear Sir

Jany. 30. 1827

Yours of the 22d ~~[illegible]~~ has not been forgotten ~~[illegible] but I have delayed replying to it for the purpose of obtaining more fully the information which [illegible]~~

~~[illegible]~~ I had occasion last week at the request of Mr Taliaferro ~~[illegible]~~ from whom ~~[illegible] of copper~~ resembling yours who forwarded a similar ~~[illegible]~~ to reply to inquiries ~~[illegible]~~. I have delayed my ~~[illegible]~~ reply to this ~~[illegible]~~ in the hope of obtaining for you further facts for your guidance but in these hopes I have been disappointed

~~[illegible] I [illegible] any letter to [illegible] upon the subject of your inquiry. I am not able to add any thing valuable to the information obtained at that time~~

~~[illegible]~~ Copper Mines wrought at the ordinary charge of labour in the U States have hitherto I believe been found unprofitable — As far I have been able to learn all ~~[illegible]~~ enterprises of that kind have been abandoned unless a recent attempt by a company from New York to work one of the Perry mines be an exception. Of this I have not been able to obtain exact information but as it was commenced at a period when ~~[illegible] visionary project~~ the mania for new projects was prevailing it has probably ~~[illegible]~~ shared their fate. The character of the Perry ores is ~~[illegible]~~ unknown I believe ~~to~~ different from yours & the ~~[illegible]~~ mode of operations on them ~~[illegible]~~ presents therefore no ~~[illegible]~~ analogy ~~to guide in relation to~~ yours. —

60 To Lewis Williams Jany 30. 1827

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& affords copper ~~[illegible]~~ & more free from impurities than the copper of commerce usually is.
~~Your ore~~ Your ore is among the most easy to reduce. But
its reduction
~~that would be~~ the expense of ~~[illegible]~~ in the large way can only
the testimony of ~~the [illegible]~~
be determined by ~~[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]~~ ~~those~~
those who have been engaged in such operations or by actual
~~[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] been [illegible]~~
~~in their department~~. ~~The expense of reducing a small~~
~~specimen for a trial forms no criterion~~ it would cost
~~far more than [illegible]~~ experiment under the eye of such
The cost of reducing a ~~[illegible]~~ small specimen in a small crucible
furnishes no ~~[illegible]~~ criterion as to the ~~[illegible]~~ large operation
~~[illegible]~~ an artist ~~[illegible]~~ the latter is the only infallible mode.
~~If [illegible]~~
If your
~~If such an article can be found and the~~ ore is abundant
~~[illegible]~~ if
and easily raised from the earth ~~& the quantity is~~ fuel
~~[illegible] [illegible]~~ cheap ~~[illegible] [illegible]~~
transportation to market
and the local facilities of water power ~~[illegible]~~
But a furnace ~~of the ordinary [illegible]~~
be favourable a trial ~~—~~ by the erection of ~~[illegible]~~ sufficient
or perhaps one half a ton
to reduce a few tons ~~[illegible]~~ of the ore would in my opinion
ridiculous provided a practical
be a ~~[illegible] [illegible]~~ measure, ~~if an [illegible]~~ artist
familiar with the smelting of copper ore, can be obtained to direct the experiment.
~~[illegible] — a [illegible] [illegible]~~. I presume that for
besides the compensation to the artist
200 dollars ~~[illegible]~~ an experiment could be made ~~[illegible]~~
~~the ore [illegible], if [illegible]~~
four
~~[illegible] [illegible]~~ while the expense of raising & putting ~~the ore~~
the ore and it in suitable form & offering sales in the market
~~[illegible] the [illegible]~~ smelting, ~~the ore [illegible]~~ could be de-
duced in a manner so nearly accurate that no material dis-
could be incurred
appointment ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ in extensive operations.
~~[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]~~
~~[illegible] of [illegible] [illegible]~~

~~P.S.~~ The Books which treat on the subject
~~of [illegible]~~ my respects to ~~[illegible]~~
of ~~smelting~~ ores are Jaris voyages ~~metallurgiques~~
~~[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]~~

P.S. Jaris voyages metallurgiques, & Schlutters Metallurgy
which may be found in a French translation & Cramer on Assaying
give the processes used in Europe the ~~[illegible]~~ best known in a small way.

well ascertained
~~[illegible]~~ that many copper mines are now
successfully worked in less ~~[illegible]~~ rich in copper
zones, ~~some of the handsomest veins [illegible]~~
in frequent instances it may be taking for granted ~~[illegible]~~
~~[illegible] unfailing [illegible]~~
that the present possessors of those works ~~[illegible]~~
~~[illegible]~~ by the
~~obtained them at~~ ~~[illegible]~~ much smaller
than their original cost ~~[illegible]~~ investment of capital.
enterprising adventurers in ~~[illegible]~~ unsuccessful mines often lays the
~~[illegible]~~ of and this fortune on the ruins of his ancestors.

The ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ varieties of copper ore are
treated on in Cleaveland's Mineralogy & Geology, page 553 — (a Book in the Library [illegible]) Among
[illegible] you will find "the green Carbonate of Copper, ~~[illegible]~~ which
~~[illegible]~~ same with your ore — Mr. Bloud, the Smelter & Refiner
[illegible] Mint ~~[illegible]~~ opinion and points in conversation
[illegible] a favourable opinion of this specimen as
[illegible] easy reduction & affording very good copper, but
[illegible] doubtful whether it is found in abundance enough
[illegible] large operations — ~~Mines~~ ~~[illegible] of this kind of ore~~
~~of [illegible]~~
~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~
~~[illegible] the U. States~~

The principal supply of copper used ~~by the [illegible] of [illegible]~~
in the U. States is from South America — its price
unwrought ~~[illegible]~~ may be stated at about 20 cents per lb for the better qualities
with these qualities the copper from your ore would doubtless rank.
I regret that more ~~[illegible]~~ useful information ~~[illegible]~~ has not
been within my reach on the subject of working copper Mines, I should have felt much
[illegible] in communicating ~~[illegible]~~ it ~~[illegible]~~. x

~~I can~~ I ~~am informed that~~ ~~Mr~~ Henry Wit is said now employed at Baltimore by Mr Elliott in refining copper from the imported cakes is a reputed competent artist, his ~~heretofore~~ ~~copper~~ business in England having been the smelting of copper ore — ~~Col Smith Governor can~~ ~~give you~~ ~~enable~~ you ~~probably~~ ~~more~~ ~~in that respect~~ ~~the way of obtaining~~ You will find no difficulty at Washington in ~~ascertaining~~ obtaining every necessary information whatever concerns ~~the facts respecting him~~

Genl Dickerson the Senator can ~~also~~ give you ~~the~~ aid you in procuring ~~better~~ fuller information ~~the~~ & the probability of procuring an artist in that quarter respecting the copper mine — Judge Thomson of New Jersey whom you know would also be able to ~~give~~ procure for your information ~~...~~ ~~as to the copper~~ ~~...~~ ~~of those mines~~ on those points ~~...~~

The Rees Encyclopedia which I presume is in the library of Congress, under the article Mining and Copper an interesting detail, relative thereto ~~on the subject~~ from these I infer that with all the facilities of cheap labour perfect skill and ~~...~~ the copper mines in England yield but a very moderate profit on the capital originally invested in their works. — ~~In fact I am much inclined to the opinion~~ ~~that~~ ~~...~~ ~~mining operations~~ ~~It is very probable~~ ~~that much of the copper~~ ~~...~~

Lots

125 on Walnut } $17000
172 on Juniper ~~[illegible]~~

Mr Crea's

North ~~side~~ of Walnut 98 feet
West of 12th street

101 feet on Walnut by
235 feet to George Street
say 23000

N. W. corner of Chesnut & Juniper
100 to 150 feet on Chesnut
204 deep to public square.

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250 feet on Spruce & Pine
468 feet on Broad & Juniper
at 32000 & int. for 10 years
say 52000 dolls.

[illegible] Brewery &c

S.W. corner of Chestnut & 12th
— enquire for —

corner of Arch & ~~Filbert~~ Juniper 200
on Arch 137 on ~~Filbert~~ Juniper and 200
on a 20 feet alley — $8 —
nearly 27000
corner of Filbert & Juniper
211 on Filbert & 150 on
Juniper, bounding on the
above 20 feet alley to the
North. — $6 — about 21,000

United with the above lot
of Mr Sansom first mentioned
may be taken into view & front
of 50 feet on Arch to 13th Street & extending
to the 20 feet alley thus making
a quarter square.

Thomas Mitchell corner 3d & Spruce
Isaac Elliott — Chestnut below 3d
Life Insurance —
Savings Fund &c

To Dr.

Department of War,
Off: Ind: affairs.
28th. November 1828.

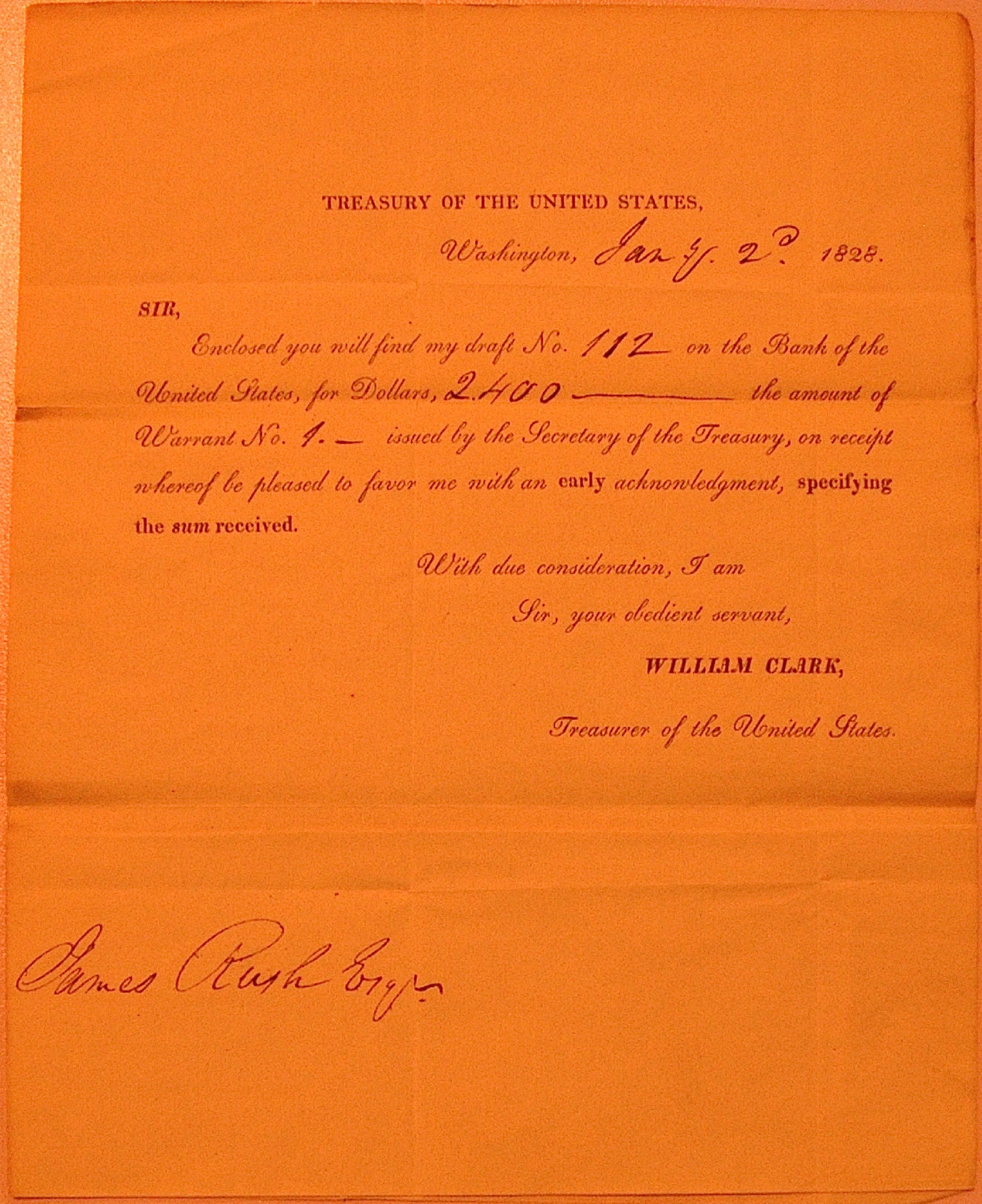
Saml. Moore,
Supt. Mint,
Phila.

Sir,

Your letter of the 25th. inst. enclosing Mr. Eckfeldt's account for the execution of the Adams medals, is received.

The state of the appropriation for the Indian Department for the present year, will not admit of a remittance of the amount of Mr. Eckfeldt's account. As soon as the appropriation for the ensuing year is made by Congreſs, the amount will be remitted.

I am very respectfully,
Your Obedt. Servt.
Tho L McKenney



TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, Jan^{y}. 2^{d} *1828.*

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 112 *on the Bank of the United States, for Dollars,* 2400 ——— *the amount of Warrant No.* 1. — *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an* early *acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

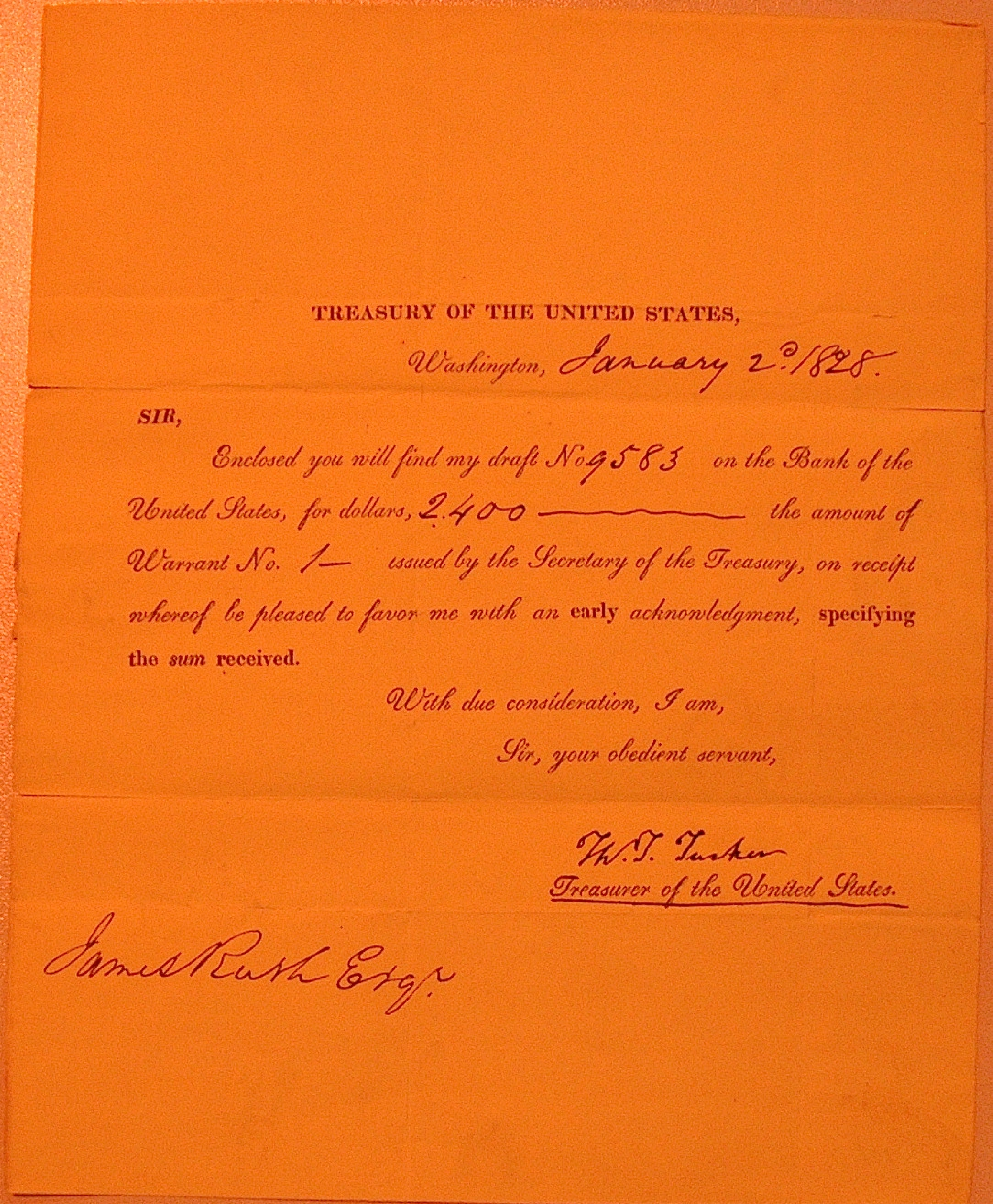
With due consideration, I am

Sir, your obedient servant,

WILLIAM CLARK,

Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esq^{r}.



TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, January 2d 1828.

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No 9583 *on the Bank of the United States, for dollars,* 2.400 ——— *the amount of Warrant No.* 1— *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an early acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

Th. T. Tucker

Treasurer of the United States.

James Ruth Esqr

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, January 8th 1828.

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No 9586. *on the Bank of the United States, for dollars,* 2000 *the amount of Warrant No.* 76. *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an early acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

Th. T. Tucker
Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esqr.

Mint of the U. States
Philada. Jan. 18. 1828

Sir

By the Mail ~~which leaves~~ [illegible] tomorrow
viz nine of the largest size, eleven of the middle size and one of the
will be transmitted a Number of the Indian Medals, ~~[illegible]~~ the
These ~~[illegible]~~ were
~~[illegible]~~ large size ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~
executed
~~[illegible]~~ ~~have~~ partially ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ but ~~[illegible]~~
the finishing of them ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible]
~~as they were not prepared [illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~
as the
Number passed that ~~[illegible]~~ indicated to meet the immediate
demand & the business of the Mint occupied Mr Eckfeldt's time
more closely than usual. We have ~~[illegible]~~ now completed
the ~~[illegible]~~ number originally ordered, of the large and
Middle size. Of the ~~small~~ third size ~~the number~~
the number is yet deficient
~~have not been wholly executed~~ but ~~an additional~~
at a short notice
will be completed if desired ~~[illegible]~~ please ~~to~~ let your
wishes in this respect be known. ~~[illegible]~~
~~Mr Eckfeldt's [illegible] is [illegible]~~
~~[illegible] it would [illegible]~~
~~[illegible]~~ by as soon as
that the preparatory measures may be promptly ~~[illegible]~~ taken.
~~[illegible]~~ convenient. If no more are wanted
Mr Eckfeldt will forward his account ~~[illegible]~~
~~[illegible]~~.

I am very respectfully
Yours &c
Saml. Moore

Thos. L. McKenney Esqr
Office of Indian Affairs

Mint of the United States
Philad^a. Dec^r. 21. 1827

Sir

In the statement transmitted to Congress at their last Session, of the Commerce and Navigation of the United States for the year ending Sep. 30th 1826 two items are observed which I beg leave respectfully to present to view.

Among the imports is enumerated page 14, copper imported from various places for the use of the Mint amounting to $72,926 [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ and [illegible] page 178 ~~[illegible]~~ among the imports is specified copper, which had been imported for the use of the Mint amounting to $3983. [illegible] In the former of these there is [illegible] more & the latter if correct presents an unexplained fact

The amount of copper actually imported for the Mint within the year mentioned was $19,870.92 [illegible] which was received at the Port of Philad^a. directly from Liverpool, and consisted ~~wholly~~ [illegible] with the exception of [illegible] of planchets for the coinage of cents.

As no part of the copper thus imported is withdrawn from the Mint except in the ~~shape~~ of coins, if the item alluded to be correct the copper coins of the U. States are an article of export for which there seems to be no adequate motive as they are worth here 41 2/3 cents per pound [illegible]

To
Tho. L. McKenney
Office of Indian
Affairs
Jan. 18. 1828

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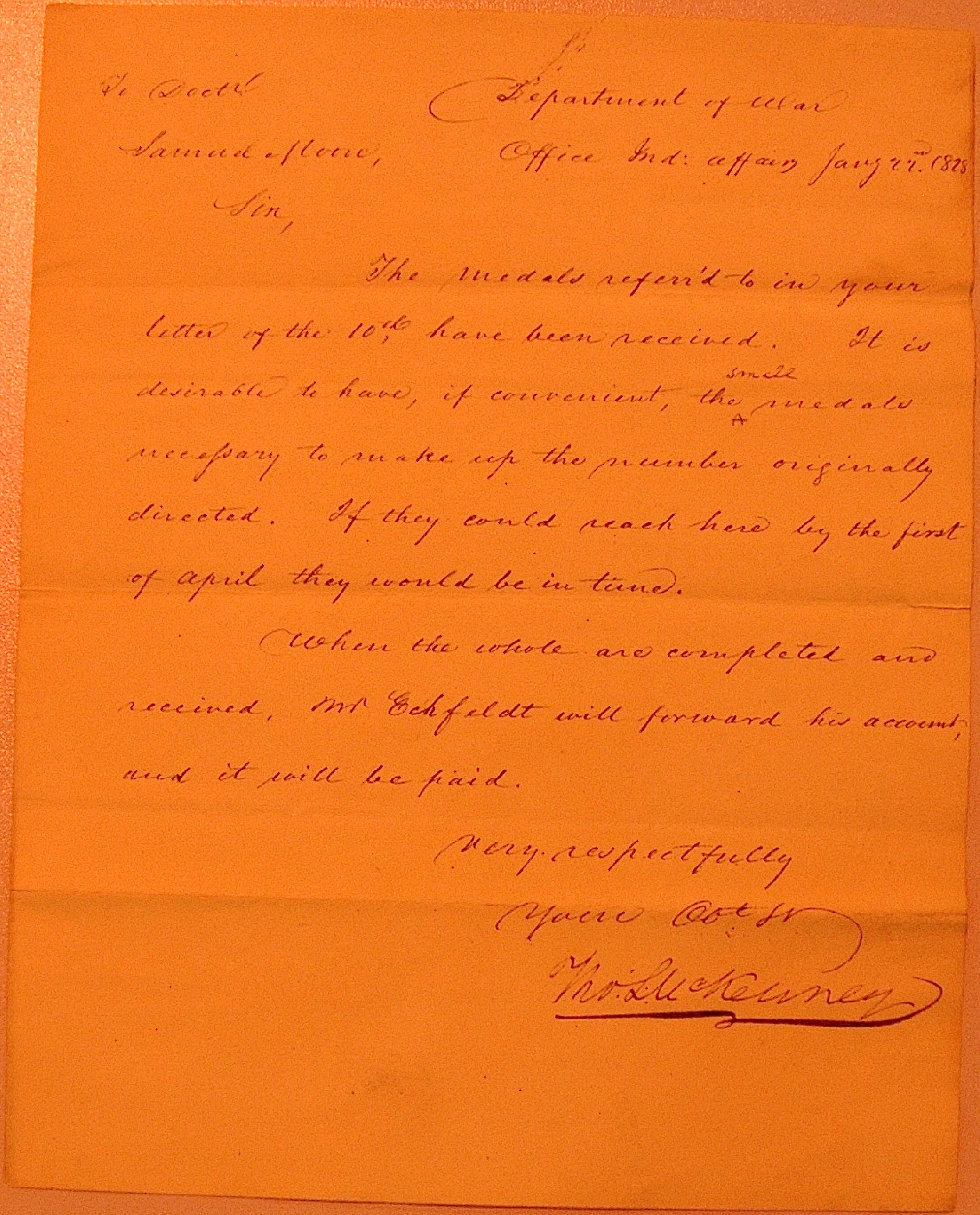


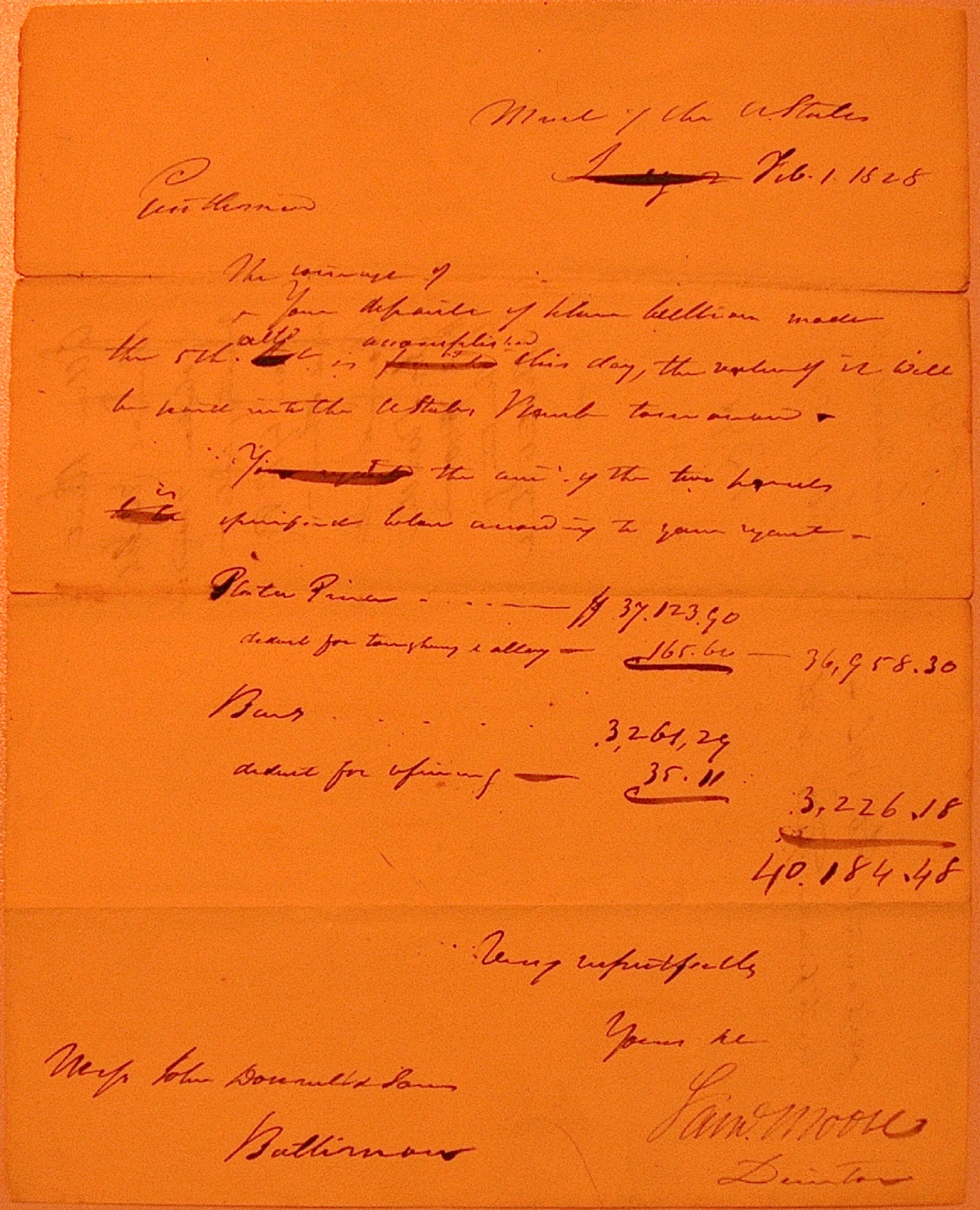
To Doctr Department of War
Samuel Moore, Office Ind: affairs Jany 22d. 1828

Sir,

The medals referr'd to in your letter of the 10th, have been received. It is desirable to have, if convenient, the small medals necessary to make up the number originally directed. If they could reach here by the first of april they would be in time.

When the whole are completed and received, Mr Eckfeldt will forward his account, and it will be paid.

Very respectfully
Your Obt. Sr
Tho L McKenney



Mint of the U States
~~[illegible]~~ Feb. 1. 1828

Gentlemen

The coinage of your deposits of silver bullion made the 5th. ~~[illegible]~~ ult. is ~~[illegible]~~ accomplished this day, the value of it will be paid into the U States Bank tomorrow.

~~[illegible]~~ the acc.t of the two parcels ~~to be~~ is specified below according to your request —

Plate Pieces	$ 37.123.90	
deduct for toughening & alloy —	165.60	— 36,958.30
Bars	3,261,29	
deduct for refining —	35.11	
		3,226.18
		40.184.48

Very respectfully
Yours &c
Saml. Moore
Director

Messrs John Donnell & Sons
Baltimore

Samuel Moore Esq. Baltimore. 2d February 1828.
Director of the Mint

Sir,

It is now four weeks since our Mr. I. S. Donnell deposited at the mint a large amount of Bullion imported in our ship Chesapeak from Lima and received Certificate of the weight of the same. Although Mr. I. S. Donnell was then informed it might probably be forty days before we could receive the value of this Bullion, yet he thought from the conversation that took place at the time, that it would not exceed half that period, and he was led to this belief by the fact of having on two or three former occasions received the Certificate of value the very day after the deposit.

This Bullion is the returns of a cargo shipped during the month of November 1826 by a vessel that left on the 1st December; consequently it is now upwards of fourteen months since the funds arising therefrom have been dead to us. Under such circumstances, if it can be done conveniently, we conceive it the duty of the mint to place the merchant immediately in possession of his funds.

We have to beg, therefore, that on receipt hereof, you will inform the Cashier of the Bank of the United States of the value of the deposit, the Certificate of the weight of which was transferred to him by Mr J. L. Donnell.

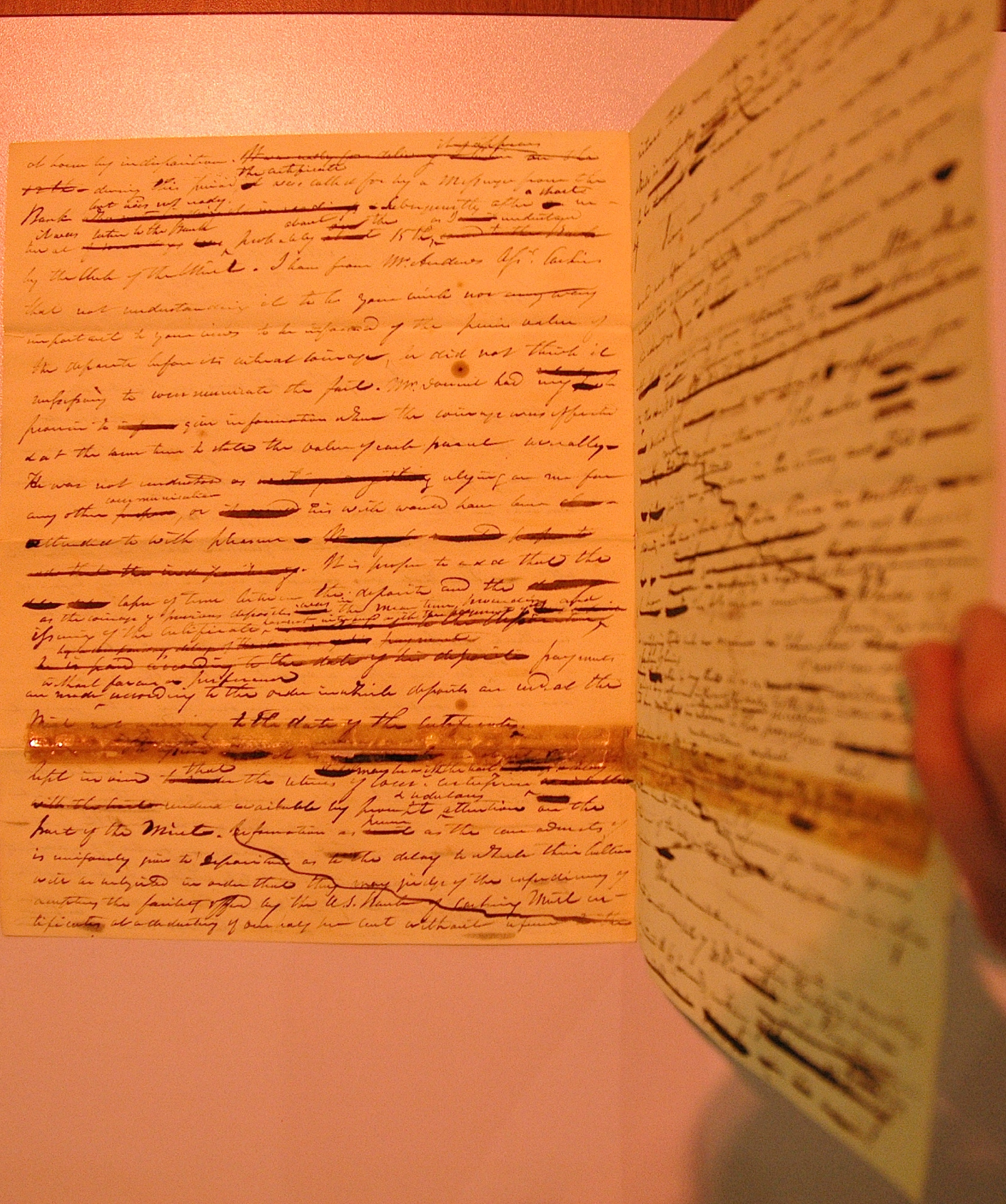
We have the honour to be, Sir,
Yr obt Servts
John Donnell & Sons

Mint of the United States
Philada. Feby. 5. 1828

Gentlemen

Yours of the 2d was recd. yesterday — Although my letter of the 1st is no doubt at hand giving you the earliest information in my power of the completion of your deposite: it may be satisfactory to make some remarks on other points to which yours relates.

The deposite in question was made on the 5th. ulto. — [redacted] The whole was found to require melting before it could be assayed and the value determined. In the cases in which you have on [redacted] former occasions recd. a certificate of value on the day after a deposite either the amount was such as could be melted in one day, or the [illegible] as not to require a [illegible] melting of ~~the whole~~ any part. The certificate however in this instance it is proper to state was [redacted] not issued without a delay somewhat greater than usual in ~~[illegible]~~ similar cases — It was made out on the [illegible]th ~~[illegible]~~ but [redacted] retained ~~[illegible]~~ in the [redacted] comr. of the Treasurer on acct. of a peculiarity ~~of~~ exhibited by a portion of the Metal which made it desirable to have the judgment of the Melter & Refiner as to the deduction required by Law [redacted] to be charged on it, which was thus [redacted] ~~[illegible]~~ confirmed



at home by indisposition. ~~It was only for taking~~ [illegible] ~~on the note~~ — during this period the certificate ~~it~~ was called for by a Messenger from the Bank ~~The~~ but was not ready ~~[illegible] in readiness~~ — subsequently after a short ~~[illegible]~~ interval it was taken to the Bank ~~[illegible]~~ probably about ~~[illegible]~~ the 15th ~~[illegible]~~ by the Clerk of the Mint. I have from Mr. Andrews Asst. Cashier that not understanding it to be your wish nor ~~any way~~ important to your views to be informed of the precise value of the deposits before its actual coinage, he did not think it necessary to communicate the fact. Mr. Daniel had my ~~[illegible]~~ permission to ~~[illegible]~~ give information when the coinage was effected & at the same time to state the value of each parcel usually — He was not instructed as ~~[illegible]~~ relying on me for any other communication, or ~~[illegible]~~ his wish would have been ~~[illegible]~~ attended to with pleasure. ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~. It is proper to add that the ~~[illegible]~~ lapse of time between the deposits and the ~~[illegible]~~ issuing of the certificate as the coinage of previous deposits ~~was~~ in the mean time proceeding and cannot interfere with the payment ~~[illegible]~~ ~~to be paid according to the date of the deposits~~ payments without favour or preference are made according to the order in which deposits are made at the Mint not varying to the date of the certificates.

[illegible] kept in mind that ~~[illegible]~~ in the return of coin ~~[illegible]~~ may be with the bank ~~[illegible]~~ interference ~~[illegible]~~ ~~with the bank~~ rendered available by prompt & voluntary attention on the part of the Mint. Information as precise as the conveniency of is uniformly given to depositors as to the delay to which their bullion will be subjected in order that they may judge of the expediency of accepting the facility offered by the U.S. Bank of cashing Mint certificates at a deduction of one only per cent without [illegible] virtual that may elapse before coinage — the facility which is carefully ~~[illegible]~~ and to all depositors who are supposed to be ~~[illegible]~~ accustomed to transactions with the Mint.

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I have now to inform you of an incident which could not before be communicated because its existence was not until this afternoon strictly ascertained. As much to your disadvantage was as it now unfortunately appears, made ~~[illegible]~~ in weighing your deposits after melting which taken in determining the ~~[illegible]~~ standard ~~[illegible]~~ value. His ~~[illegible]~~ usual accuracy and experience for many ~~[illegible]~~ years in the use of the scales ~~[illegible]~~ habitual justify our confidence in his returns, and the ~~[illegible]~~ discovery in the acc.t book by Plata Pina in melting ~~[illegible]~~ does not ~~[illegible]~~ ~~because~~ ~~[illegible]~~ in impossibility to infer that the ~~[illegible]~~ the loss appears considerable.

× While it is mortifying that such an occurrence has taken place I have the satisfaction of being able to say that it is an ~~[illegible]~~ incident of most rare occurrence ~~[illegible]~~ during a long experience in the use of the scales by the person in whose hands it has happened that our methods in relation to the progressive ~~[illegible]~~ operations of the Mint ~~[illegible]~~ underwritten ~~[illegible]~~ mutual ~~[illegible]~~ such ~~[illegible]~~ in whose hands this occurred his experience for many years in the use of the scales justify our habitual confidence in his returns and forbade ~~[illegible]~~

× The error consisted as is now manifest in omitting twice to credit a weight of 30 lb. in weighing the plata pina ~~[illegible]~~ and in ~~[illegible]~~ equivalent to 60 pounds, making ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~of the deduction~~

The ~~whole~~ value of the [illegible] Plate Pieces
it appears ~~they~~ [illegible] in value [illegible] $911.80
from which deduct for [illegible] bullion 4.10
leaving due from the Mint $907.70

For the above amt. of $907.70 you will please draw at sight on the cashier of the Bank of U.S. ~~or if it~~ [illegible] the necessary funds will be placed subject to your [illegible] or [illegible] authorized [illegible] with whom the necessary arrangement will be made tomorrow.

Very respectfully

P.S. This ~~explanation~~ [illegible] explanation is [illegible] more in detail than necessary perhaps for your satisfaction but I consider ample & prompt explanation due [illegible] at all times [illegible] to all parties [illegible] in relation to the transactions of the Mint.

The individual in whose hands it [illegible] has had the experience of many years in the ways of the [illegible] and his [illegible] [illegible] are [illegible] [illegible]

To [illegible]
Feb. 15. 1828
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Treasury Department,
Comptroller's Office,

24. March, 1828.

Sir,

Your account of Gold and Silver Bullion deposited for Coinage and Coins made and paid for deposits, during the 4. Quarter of 1827 has been adjusted at the Treasury and a balance of $83,597.73 found due to the United States - corresponding with the balance stated in your account rendered, and which remains to be accounted for on a future settlement, Consisting of

Gold Bullion in the hands of the Melter & Refiner,	$766.69 5
Deduct, Balance due the Chief Coiner,	116.55 ,
	$650.14 5
Silver Bullion in the hands of the Chief Coiner,	43,575.93 5
" " " " " Melter & Refiner,	30,758.70 ,
" " " " " Commissioners of Inspection,	2.23 5
Balance of Gold Coins in Bk of U.States, & hands of Treasurer	3,450.04 5
" " Silver " " " " "	5,140.67 ,
	$83,597.73

Respectfully

Jos. Anderson
Comptroller

James Rush, Esq.
Treasurer of the Mint.

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Birmingham 4th March 1828

Invoice of 1 Case of Steel purchased on account and risk of Saml. Moore Esqr. Director of the Mint Philadelphia, and consigned to the care of Messrs. J & L D Thornely, Liverpool

MT No A

Extra best Cast Steel 1 Inch square	1 2 27				
" " 1⅛ In "	1 2 24				
" " 2 In "	2 0 6				
" " 2¼ In "	2 0 7				
" " 1⅜ In "	2 3 20				
" " ½ In "	0 3 27				
" " ⅝ In "	0 3 27				
	12 3 26	79/	51 5 7		
Case &c 10/6 Freight to Liverpool 20/9			2 10 3		
				53 15 10	
Insurance on £56.0.0 @ 25/ pCt			. 14 .		
Export Duty on £55.0.0 @ 10/ pCt			. 5 4		
Policy & Bills of Lading 3/6			. 9 6		
Cartage Porterage & Storage			. 4 6		
Dock & Town Dues			. . 9		
Commission forwarding 3/ Postages 1/6			. 4 6	1 18 7	
			£	55 14 5	

Errors Excepted

Wm. Harrold & Co

"Copy"

You may confidently recommend the quality of this steel to the notice of your correspondent, & we shall feel obliged by your doing so, as it will be found very excellent

signed by the maker

Dollars 247 65

Dr Moore

Sir

We have forwarded the above Steel in the fullest confidence that it is of a very superior quality, we trust it may prove so, and waiting your further commands, we remain always

Sir

respectfully

Your Obliged & Obedient Servants

Wm Harrold Son

Birmingham March 4th 1828

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, Feby 21st 1828.

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 9626, *on the Bank of the United States, for dollars,* 4000 ——— *the amount of Warrant No.* 195 *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an* early *acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

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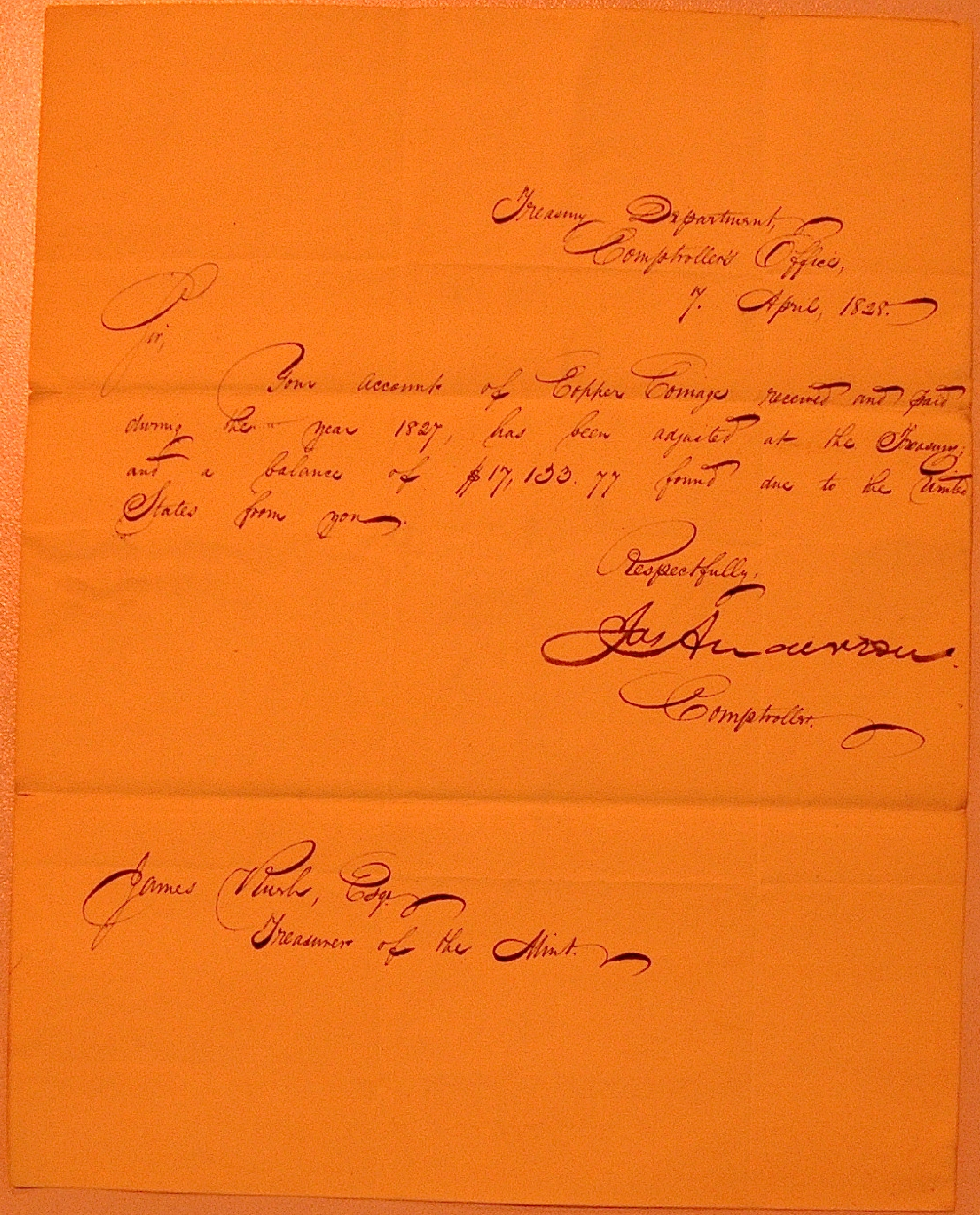
Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esqr



Treasury Department,
Comptroller's Office,
7. April, 1828.

Sir,

Your account of Copper Coinage received and paid during the year 1827, has been adjusted at the Treasury; and a balance of $17,133.77 found due to the United States from you.

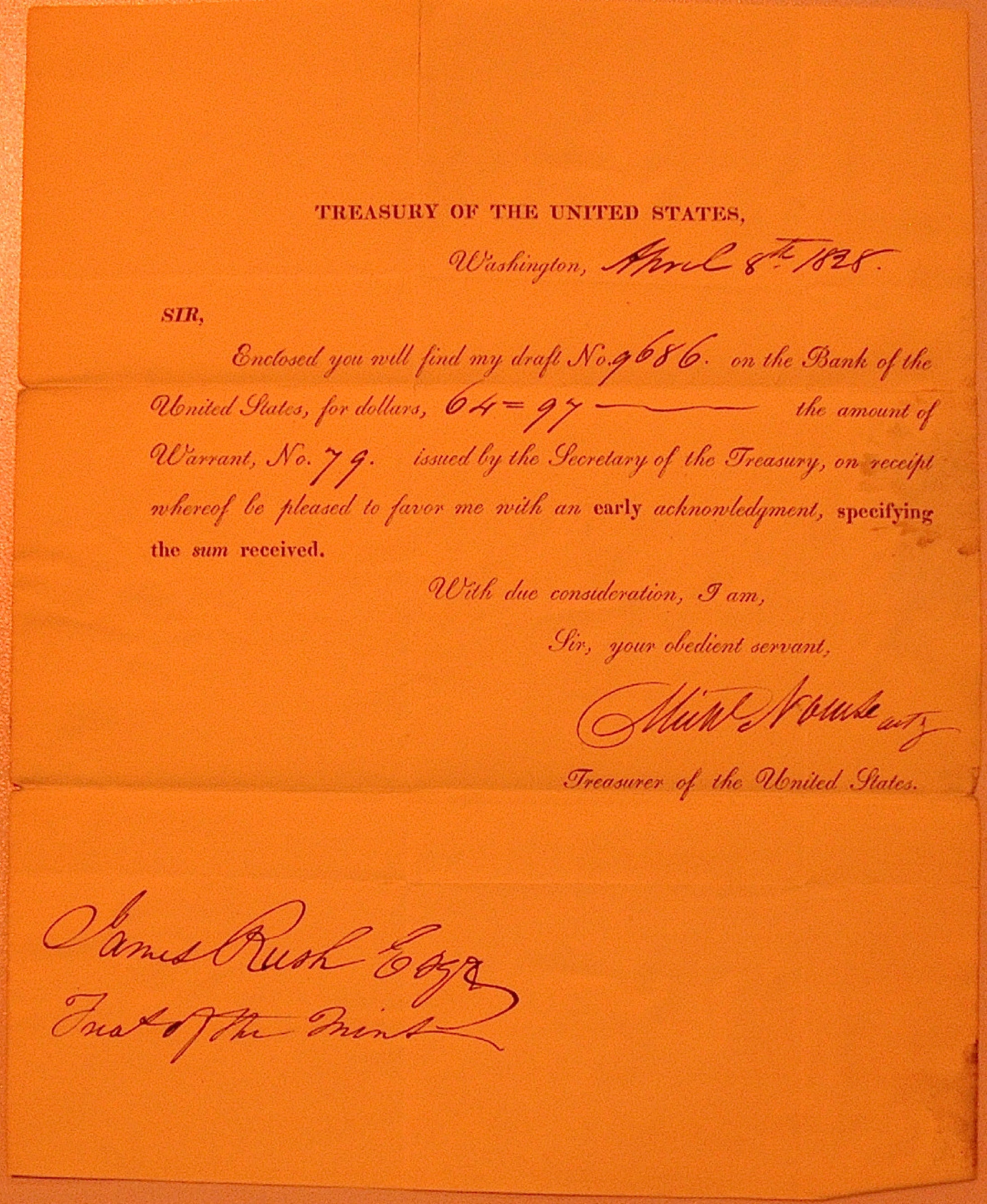
Respectfully,

Jos Anderson

Comptroller.

James Rush, Esqr

Treasurer of the Mint.



TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, April 8th 1828.

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 9686. *on the Bank of the United States, for dollars,* 64=97 *the amount of Warrant, No.* 79. *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an early* **acknowledgment, specifying the** *sum* **received.**

With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

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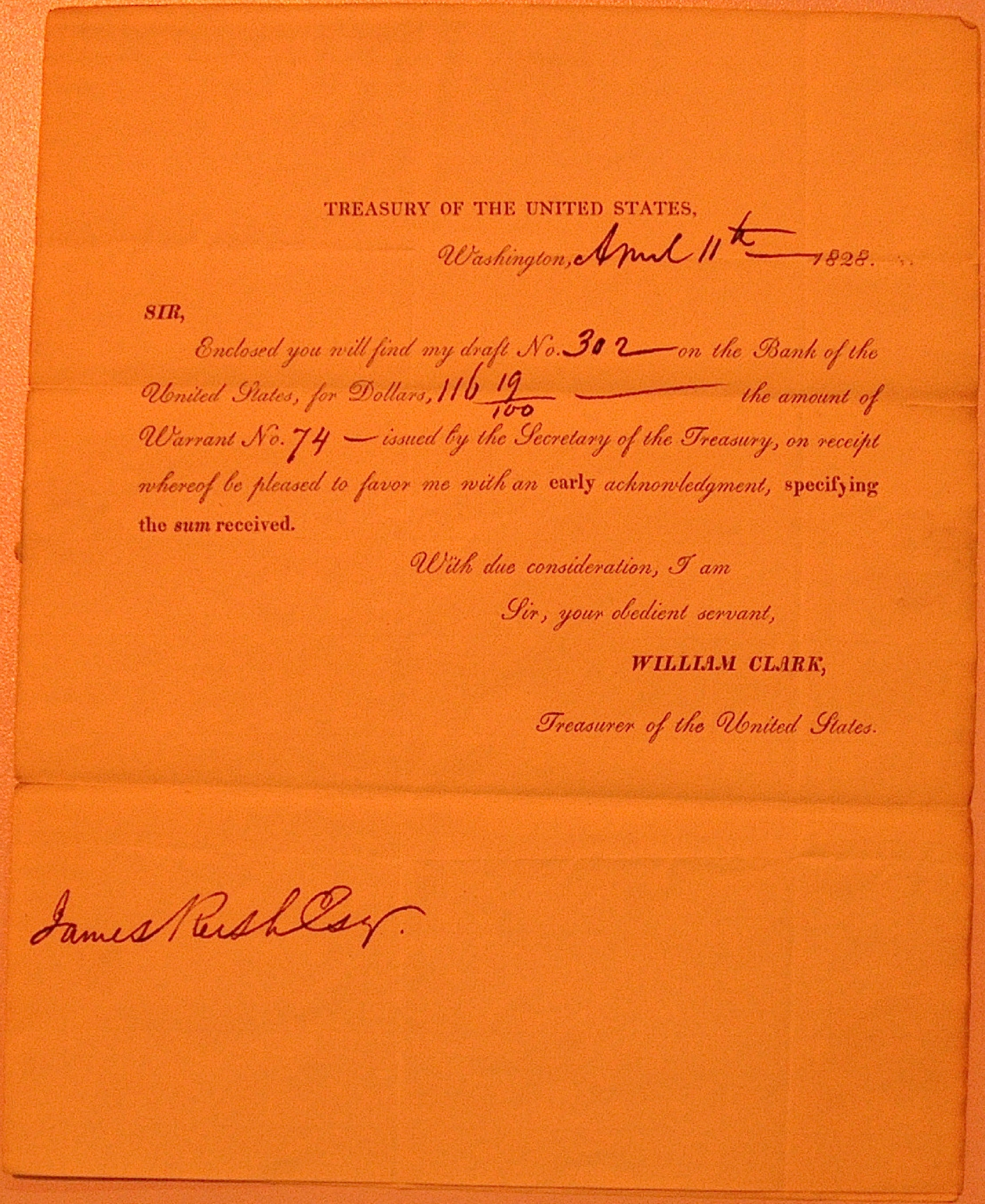
Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esqr

Treat of the Mint



TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, April 11th *1828.*

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 302 *on the Bank of the United States, for Dollars,* 116 $\frac{19}{100}$ *the amount of Warrant No.* 74 *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an* early *acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am

Sir, your obedient servant,

WILLIAM CLARK,

Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esq.

Mint U. States
March 13. 1828

Dear Sir

Your letter of the 6th. which I had the pleasure to receive a few days since, confirms the impression before entertained as to your procedure relative to the Mint Bill. I am well satisfied that is judicious to avoid calling it up by a preference which would disoblige the friends of other measures thereby postponed. In the mean time the ordinary operations of the Mint are proceeding conformably to the obligations resting on the Institution under existing laws.

Yours
with much Esteem
Saml. Moore

Hon. John Sergeant.

Treasury Department
Comptroller's Office,
18. March, 1828.

Sir,

Your account of Ordinary Receipts and Expenditures for the 4. Quarter of 1827, has been adjusted at the Treasury and a balance of $787.85 found due to you from the United States, corresponding with the balance stated in your account rendered, and which remains to be credited on a future settlement.

Respectfully,

Jos. Anderson
Comptroller.

James Rush, Esqr.
Treasurer of the Mint.

Comptroler of the Mint
Philadelphia

Baltimore 28th March 1828

We send you per Mr. John W Thompson 11280 Dwts Silver for which you will please send us certificate per first mail and advise us of the amount

Very respectfully
Ashton & Moale

Certificate of the above deposite of silver forwarded by Mail March 31. 1828 under blank cover — L.M

Henry ~~Baltimore~~
Thompson.
Baltimore

New York 17 Apl 1828

Jas Rush Esqr

Dear Sir

Your fav. of the 16 Inst came to hand this morning informing me of the Shipment of one cask copper coin for Israel Kelly of Cleveland Ohio which will be forwarded agreeable to your directions on its arrival. you also mention that you have recd an order from the Geneva Bank for some coin & that the Cashr. mentioned in his Letter, that they had in one two or three instances been obliged to pay chgs of frt. on rect. of the coins recd by them, how that should be the case I am at a loss to state, in looking over the different Shipments made to them I find in *all* instances the frt. has been paid by the Shipper at N.Y. if they have pd chgs. it is *wrong*, & the agent of the bank can call on the persons to whom he paid the chgs & make them refund. In future I will take good care that the consignees shall not be called on to pay chgs. you will please to say in your communication to the Cashr. of the Geneva Bank. that the chgs. of frt. have in all instances been paid at N.Y. by the shippers & that if he will make out a statement of the chgs. pd & to whom paid together with dates & direct to me that I will endeavour to have the Error rectified. the firm of

Satterlee & Duane has been diſsolved — in your future consignments. you will please to direct to me personally. any busineſs you may think fit to entrust to me in the way of forwarding shall be attended to with the utmost punctuality

Your Obt Servt

Robt L. Duane

34 front St.

Mint of the United States
Philada. April 19. 1828

Dear Sir

I will thank you to forward me the document containing the letter from the Secretary of the Treasury communicated on the 14th. inst. and the report on an assay of foreign coins to which it relates

With great esteem
Yours —
Saml. Moore

~~Hon. E. Bateman~~

An abstract from the report given in the Nat. Journal of the 15th contains material errors especially in the quotation of the value of the Span.-dollar and French crown. This in a paper of such authority is important. Will you please, if convenient to suggest to the Editors the publication of the report in extenso in the next number.

Yours with great esteem

Saml. Moore

Hon. E. Bateman

No 88

Mr Bateman

Apl. 17. 1828

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TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, Apr. 19. 1828

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 9710 *on the Bank of the United States, for dollars,* 4.000 ——— *the amount of Warrant No.* 118 —*issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an* early *acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am,

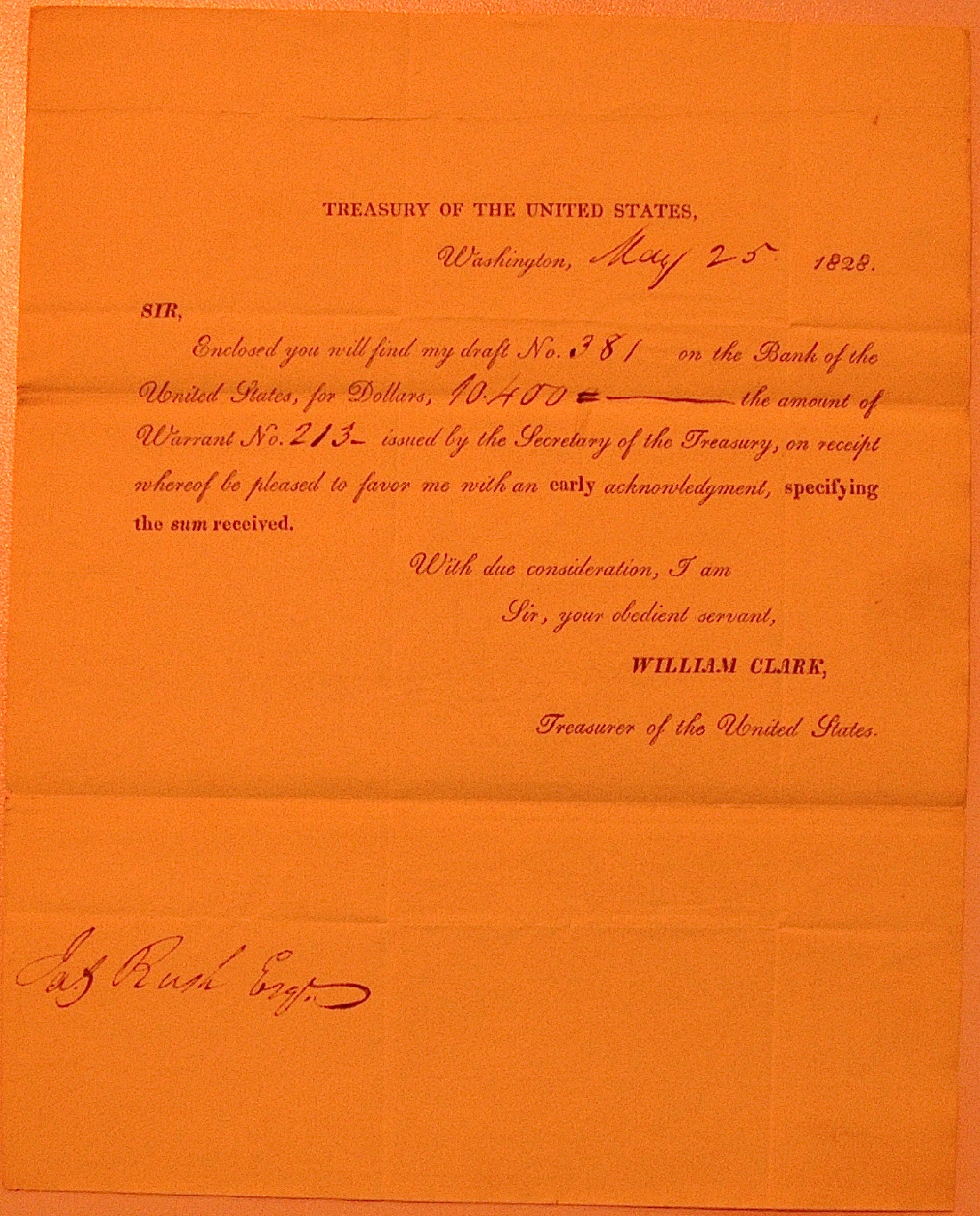
Sir, your obedient servant,

Wm. Nourse act.

Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esqr

Treasr. Mint



TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, May 25 *1828.*

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 381 *on the Bank of the United States, for Dollars,* 10.400 = *the amount of Warrant No.* 213 *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an* early *acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am
Sir, your obedient servant,

WILLIAM CLARK,

Treasurer of the United States.

Jas Rush Esqr

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to you yest^y in reply to an enquiry resp^g the Mint Bill, that com^d to him relative to the provis^ns embraced by it had been placed in yo hands for the purpose of being com^d to the Cha of the Com^e hav^g the subj^t in charge. Will you have the goodness to inform me whether any further

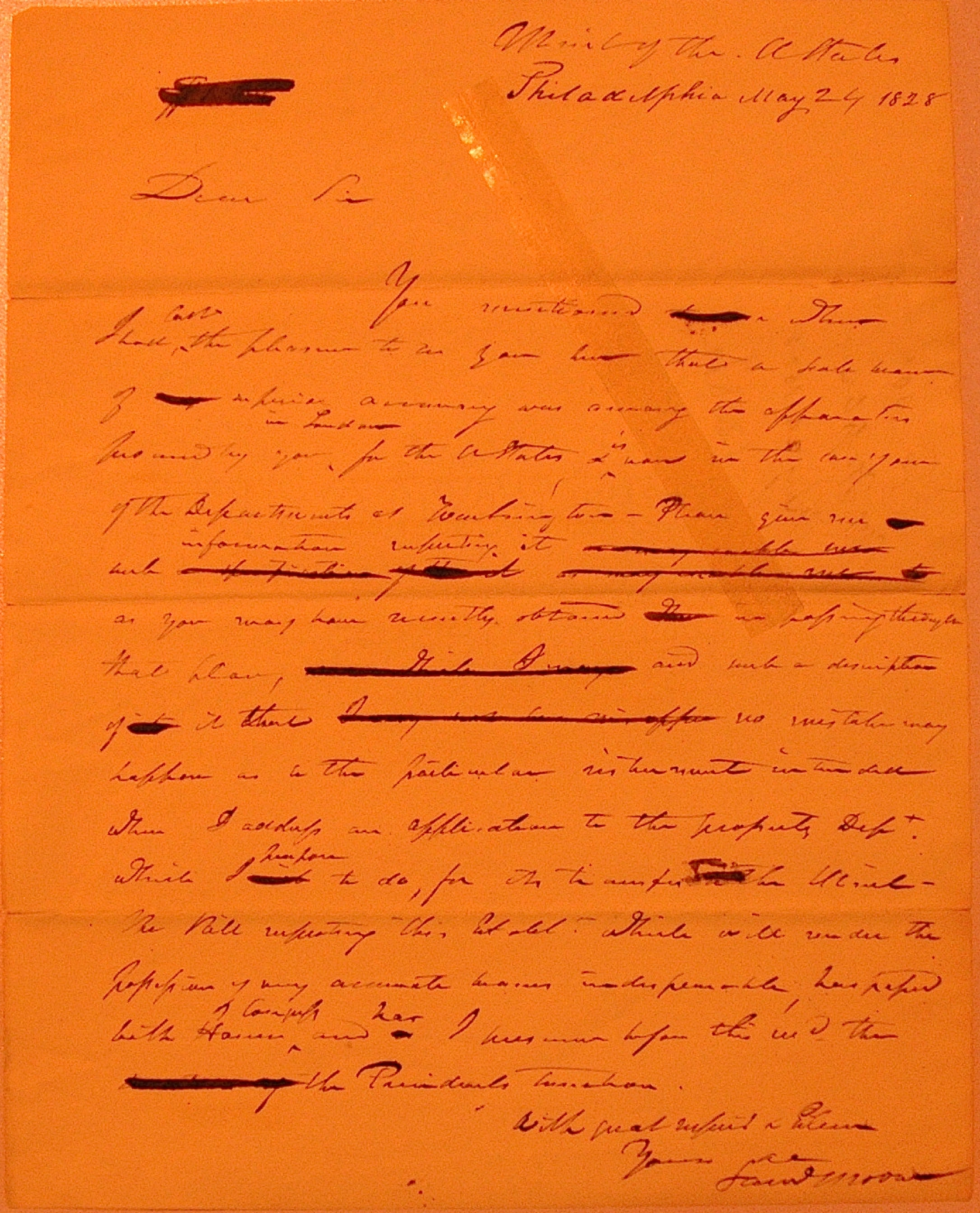
[illegible]

proper to introduce in the action of the Com^e at this time with any remarks or suggestions, but will promptly attend to the wishes of the Ch^n of the Com^e in this respect.

Yours with great respects

Saml. M[illegible]

Hon. D. D. Barnard



Mint of the U States
Philadelphia May 24 1828

~~[illegible]~~

Dear Sir

You mentioned ~~[illegible]~~ when I had the pleasure to see you here that a scale beam of ~~[illegible]~~ superior accuracy was among the apparatus procured by you in London for the U States & is now in the care of one of the Departments at Washington — Please give me ~~[illegible]~~ such information respecting it ~~[illegible]~~ as you may have recently obtained ~~[illegible]~~ in passing through that place, ~~While I may~~ and such a description of ~~it~~ it that ~~[illegible]~~ no mistake may happen as to the particular instrument intended when I address an application to the proper Dept. which I propose to do, for its transfer ~~[illegible]~~ to the Mint. The Bill respecting this establisht. which will render the possession of very accurate means indispensable has passed both Houses of Congress and has I presume before this rec'd the ~~[illegible]~~ of the President's sanction.

With great respect & esteem
Yours &c
Saml Moore

Mint of the U. States

Philad^a May 17. 1828

Sir

~~In reply to~~ I learn by a few lines rec^d from Mr Sergeant yesterday in reply to an enquiry respecting the ~~[illegible]~~ the Mint Bill ~~[illegible]~~ that my communication to him relative to the provisions embraced by the had been placed in your hands, for the purpose of being communicated to ~~[illegible]~~ the ~~[illegible]~~ channel of the Committee having the subject in charge. ~~Will you have the goodness to [illegible]~~

~~[illegible]~~

~~by the Committee [illegible]~~ inform me whether any further communication is desirable on the subject. ~~[illegible]~~ I do not feel it proper to ~~[illegible]~~ obtrude ~~[illegible]~~ on the attention of the Committee at this time ~~with~~ any remarks or suggestions but will promptly ~~[illegible]~~ attend to the wishes of the Chairman ~~not the wishes of the Com~~ ~~mittee~~ in this respect. The objects ~~[illegible]~~ embraced by the bill have been ~~[illegible]~~ I hope satisfactorily ~~[illegible]~~ explained in ~~[illegible]~~ my ~~[illegible]~~ letter to Mr Sergeant. A few other ~~[illegible]~~ provisions than those embraced in the present bill would have ~~[illegible]~~ still further promoted the ~~[illegible]~~ establishment, but they are not of such immediate moment as the regulations. The Bill as it may is important to this Institution — ~~[illegible]~~ some other ~~[illegible]~~ might be mentioned in ~~my~~ this communication

be usefully introduced, ~~into the~~ [illegible] ~~explanations~~ [illegible] ~~of this~~
but it is better to defer them to some future occasion
than delay [illegible] the passage of the present Bill, ~~the~~
[illegible] delay at this period being of permanence more than far longer,

Yours with great respect

Saml Moore

Hon. I. D. Barnard

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Hon. I. D. Barnard
May 17. 1828
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N. C. Gold

		Weight as rec^d	Weight after Melting	Stand^d. Weight	Value per ounce as rec^d
1827		oz. d. g.	oz. d. g.	oz. d. g.	c. m
Feb. 21	Lumps & Grains	72. 7. 0	71. 9. 12	73. 18. 5	90.8
Mar. 7	Grains	25. 14. 6	25. 13. 10	26. 10. 22	91.8
" "	Bars	22. 19. 6	22. 19. 6	23. 6. 9	90.2
May 25	Bars	92. 17. 0	92. 14. 18	97. 4. 6	93.1
July 11	Bars	69. 13. 0	69. 11. 12	71. 18. 22	91.8
Aug 8	Bars	35. 13. 0	35. 13. 0	37. 9. 11	93.5
" 11	Grains	134. 13. 0	131. 3. 6	134. 10. 7	88.8
" 20	Bars	71. 9. 0	71. 7. 0	74. 7. 19	92.6
" "	Bars	27. 2. 0	27. 1. 0	28. 10. 4	93.5
" 25	Grains	88. 18. 0	84. 4. 0	87. 1. 10	87.1
Sep. 1	Dust	49. 12. 0	48. 2. 0	49. 3. 20	88.2
"	Dust	23. 1. 6	22. 12. 18	22. 12. 18	87.3
" 20	Bars	29. 17. 0	29. 17. 0	30. 13. 22	91.4
" "	Bars	102. 9. 2	102. 4. 12	104. 9. 8	90.6
" 27	Dust	70. 14. 0	69. 3. 0	69. 6. 2	87.1
Oct. 2	Grains	20. 12. 12	20. 7. 12	19. 17. 0	85.5
Nov^r. 8	Bars	39. 11. 18	39. 11. 6	38. 17. 17	87.3
Dec. 20	Small Lumps & Bars	191. 18. 0	177. 10. 0	183. 13. 11	85.1
1828 Apl. 1	Grains & Bars	66. 4. 0	54. 1. 12	53. 0. 10	71.2
" 12	Grains	54. 17. 0	53. 16. 0	55. 9. 13	84.9
May 5	Bars	127. 9. 6	127. 7. 0	120. 13. 23	84.2
" 12	Bars	25. 18. 0	25. 17. 0	23. 18. 18	82.2
" 14	Bars	27. 10. 6	27. 10. 6	27. 14. 22	84.7
" 14	Bars	16. 3. 0	16. 2. 12	14. 11. 8	80.2
June 13	Bars	218. 2. 0	218. 1. 0	227. 6. 20	92.7

These quotations were communicated to Mr. McIlvaine Cash. B.U.S. →

— over —

Average of gold in Bars within the period taken ranges about 81 to 93½ —	cts .89 pr. Cwt.
~~Lowest range in bars occurring only in one case of bars & grains together and obviously debased~~	~~.77~~ ~~.77 " "~~
Highest range in Bars occurring twice	.93½ " "
Average of gold in Grains within the same period	.86 " "
Lowest range in grains alone	.85 " "
Highest range	.91¾ " "

These relate to the weight of the parcels when rec.d at the Mint.

The above averages were ascertained to satisfy some enquiries addressed thro' Messrs. Allen by the Cash.r Bank of C. Fear N. Carolina, Oct. 1828 —

One deposite of the value of .71 cents per Cwt. is omitted in the estimate

The inſtruments are, as You know, under the care of the Engineer Department of the War Department, where the treaſury Dep^{t} can I ſuppoſe eaſily apply for and obtain it.

Pleaſe to give my beſt reſpects to M^{rs} Patterſon, and Your family and to all our friends in the mint.

With beſt reſpects and eſteem I am

&c. [illegible]

Y[illegible]

F. R: Haſsler

D^{r} Sam: Moore

Director of the Mint

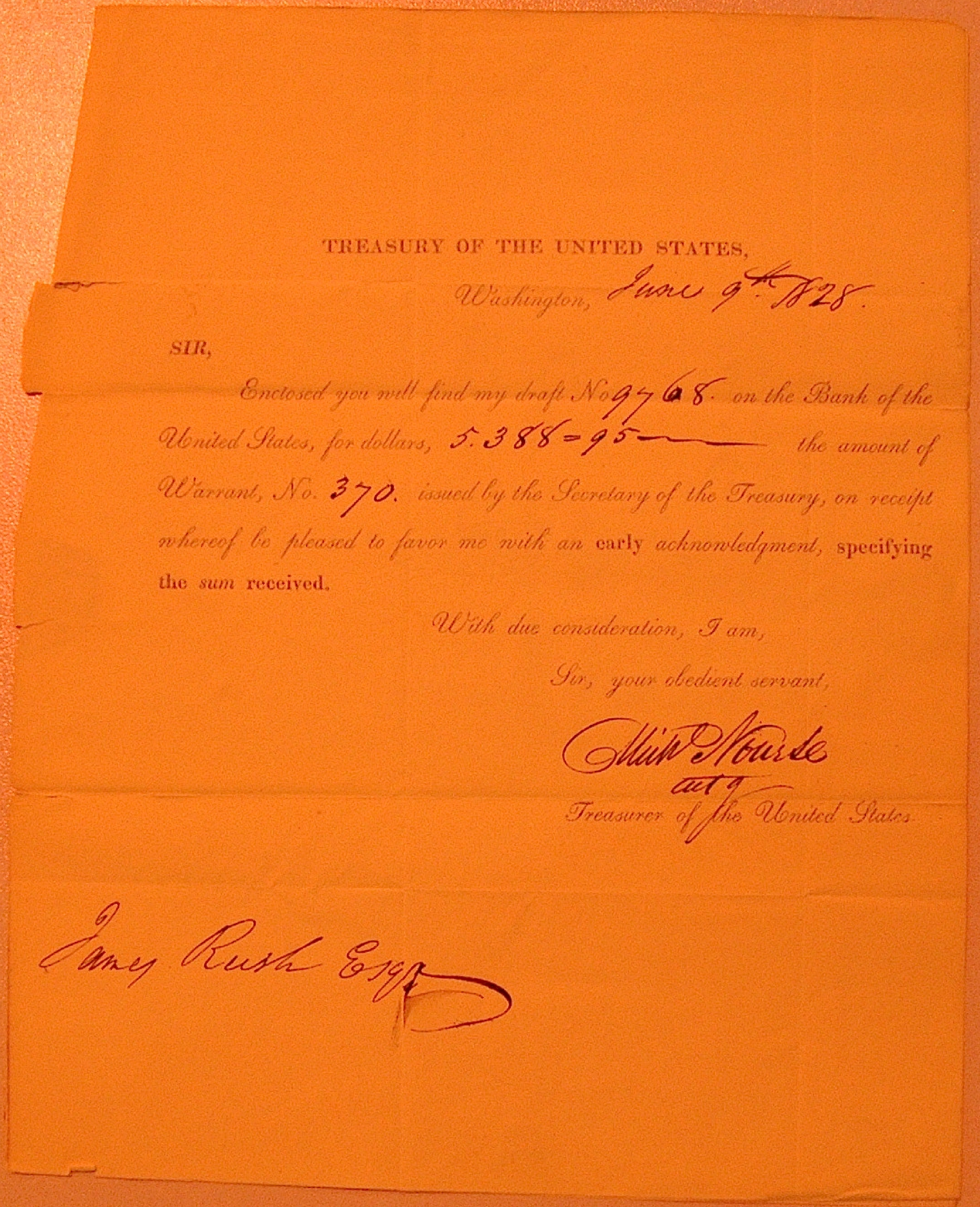
Philadelphia

Richmond Va 29th May 1828

Dear Sir

In anſwer to Your favor of the 24.th I will here make to You a deſcription of the ſcale, and its box, of which I ſpake to You, as being among the Inſtruments I brought for the Coaſt Survey and which I ſaw in Waſhington, on my paſsage, ſtanding on the ſame table with the tranſits, Colonel Roberdeau telling me that it had never been uſed.

It is in a Mahogany box appearing [illegible] inches long, five broad, and 5½ long, having a circular braſs ſcrew in the middle of the cover. The beam is blued ſteel, in one ſolid piece, good work, without any luxurious appearance, but as Troughton told me himſelf, he made it with particular care; it runs upon ſteel ſupports and axis; A braſs Column bearing the ſupports is ſcrewed in the mother on the lid for uſe; the pans are about 2½ inches Diameter; upon the axis is a ſmall pivot, upon which revolves a ſmall braſs arm, this is the ultimate nice adjuſter of the beam, by the place which is given to it by the revolution, and admits therefore the utmoſt minuteneſs. A number of weight are in the box, from about 2 Pounds down to minute parts of the grain, ſo combined in their weight as to make up every weight within the limits of the largeſt, and a number of combinations above. Tr. ~~[illegible]~~ verified them yet before I left London, as well as the beam; and I hope, as it was not fit to weigh neither ſugar nor election influence, it will ſtill be in good order.



TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, June 9th 1828.

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No 9768. *on the Bank of the United States, for dollars,* 5.388=95 *the amount of Warrant, No.* 370. *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an* early *acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

Michl Nourse

actg *Treasurer of the United States.*

James Rush Esqr

Balto 10th June 1828.

Saml Moore Esqr
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia

Sir, Having heavy payments to make in a few days it would be very agreeable to us, if we could receive the amount of our deposit of 22nd last month, for which a certificate of value has been handed to the Cashr of the Bank of the U States amounting to $17,143.60. We beg you will place the same to our credit in the Bank, when you are prepared, advising us thereof

We are respectfully
Yr Obt Sts
John Donnell & Sons

Mint of the U. States
Philad.a July 27. 1818

Sir

Yours of the 8th in reply to mine of the 6th Inst ~~was duly recd~~ relative to a ~~[illegible]~~ scale beam in your charge was duly rec.d I thank you for the information it ~~[illegible]~~ communicates & for ~~your~~ the kind ~~[illegible]~~ offer of your further attention to my request. ~~[illegible]~~

The insufficiency of the ~~[illegible] balance~~ beam in ~~question for the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] purposes~~ in the instances ~~[illegible]~~ of its ~~[illegible]~~ employment to which you refer & especially the opinion of the President as to its inferiority to Dearborne's, has ~~[illegible]~~ lessened its value in my view very much & made me hesitate whether ~~the request~~ my request ~~for the transfer~~ in regard to it should ~~to the Mint~~ be further pursued. On full consideration however ~~[illegible]~~ after ~~[illegible]~~ consulting with Mr Stancliff of the real difficulty of obtaining a faultless balance ~~[illegible]~~ an actual view of this ~~[illegible]~~ I remain of my former wish that ~~[illegible]~~ the transfer of this beam to the Mint may be obtained. The President's approbation when subjects of higher moment shall ~~[illegible]~~ occupy ~~[illegible]~~ less of his attention. That ~~[illegible]~~ of the beam ~~[illegible]~~ only 12 inches in length does not appear to me an objection. ~~[illegible]~~ the ~~[illegible]~~ stiffness ~~[illegible]~~ without ~~[illegible]~~ disturbance in a load of nearly two pounds, is not attainable in a long beam without too much increasing its weight. The beams

~~[illegible]~~ employed by Capt. Kater ~~[illegible]~~ for comparing ~~[illegible]~~ copies of the standard ~~[illegible]~~ one of ten inches in length. The Balance which you mention I presume may ~~[illegible]~~ be expected to contain a weight of more than ~~[illegible]~~ fourteen pounds and is so delicate as to be sensibly affected by ~~[illegible]~~ a few grains. It is very pleasing news to learn that this article has continued delicate ~~[illegible]~~ in hands of which the President thinks so favourably, and you will oblige me by informing whether he still pursues the construction of them, a piece for me if you can [illegible].

~~[illegible]~~ Mr. Stancliffe ~~[illegible]~~ The Artist above named ~~[illegible]~~ was for a long time employed by Troughton & assisted in the construction of the instrument known by Mr. Hassler. The expenses ~~[illegible]~~ very persuasive that the balance in question would with very common ~~[illegible]~~ be rendered satisfactory for the purpose in view, and the expectation that this can correctly be done ~~[illegible]~~ additional motion ~~[illegible]~~ to ~~[illegible]~~ for inducing still the wish to have what benefit of this instrument as it may afford. You will oblige me by embracing some fit occasion to submit a question as to the propriety of making such a disposition of it. If in the ~~[illegible]~~ this should not be considered proper I will endeavour to procure from a person of competent accuracy ~~[illegible]~~ some other source.

Col. Isaac Roberdeau
Topog. Engineer
Washington – War Department

Yours, respectfully
Saml. Moore

The ~~assay~~ balance which I mentioned as having been procured by Mr. Hassler I understand is at the Military Academy at West Point. Professor Renwick informs me that it was in the use by the Professor of Chemistry ~~[illegible]~~.

Department of State
Washington 22d. August 1828.

Samuel Moore Esquire
Director of the Mint.

Sir.

I had the honor of duly receiving your letter of the 8th instant, in which you state that the President had informed you that you might have the use of the scales and weights which he had used, himself, at this Department, when employed in the preparation of his Report upon weights and measures, and had authorized you to call upon me for them, as you, accordingly, have done.

I have the pleasure to inform you, now, that these scales and weights will be shipped to you at Philadelphia by a vessel that is on the eve of her departure from George Town, and I will take care that the receipt of the Captain shall follow the shipment, as soon as it is made, which will be this evening.

I am, Sir, respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servt.

Daniel Brent.

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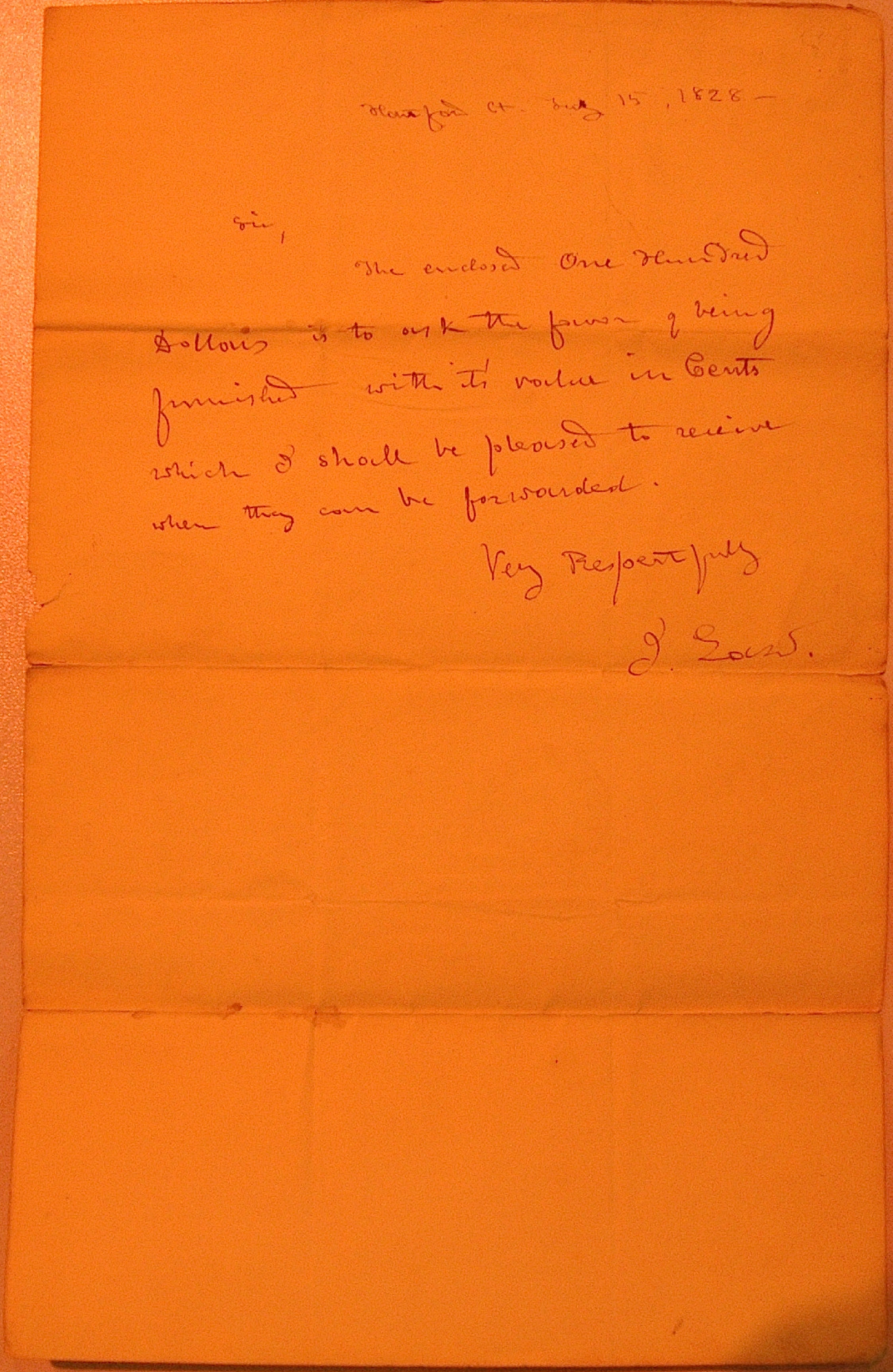
Mint of the U States
Philad a June 11. 18

Messrs John Donnell & Sons

Gentlemen

Yours of yesterday is at hand. The amount of ~~[illegible]~~ your deposite of the 22d, to which it refers I have the satisfaction to say will be placed to your credit in the Bank of the U States on the morning of Friday the ~~[illegible]~~ 13th as early as 11 O'Clock if practicable ~~[illegible]~~ half an hour earlier but certainly by the time mentioned, and may be ~~[illegible]~~ relied ~~[illegible]~~ on without further advice.

Very respectfully
Yours &c
Saml Moore



Hartford Ct. July 15, 1828 —

Sir,

The enclosed One Hundred Dollars is to ask the favor of being furnished with its value in Cents which I should be pleased to receive when they can be forwarded.

Very Respectfully

J. Ward.

No. 88 = 11 ft. 14¼ . 25 g. No. — lb. Oz. Dwt 83 – 8 – 0
+74 = 11 = 17½ — 25. —— 83 – 9 – 15
85 = 11 = 18 —— 25. —— 83 – 7 – 15
~~81 = 11 = 14½ — 25 —— 82 – [illegible]~~
1.. 89 = 11 = 17½ — 25. —— 84 – 1 – 5
2.. 76 = 11 = 14 —— 16. —— 83 – 8 – 0
3.. 94 = 11 = 14 —— 16 —— 83 – 3 – 5
4.. 75 = 11 = 14½ — 16 —— 83 – 10 – 15
5.. 87 = 11 = 17 —— 20 —— 83 – 5 – 0
6.. 103 = 11 = 16½ — 16 —— 84 – 3 – 10
7.. 78 = 11 = 18 —— 20 —— 82 – 10 – 10
8.. 101 = 11 = 19½ — 16 —— 84 – 6 – 5
9.. 77 = 11 = 16 —— 20 —— 83 – 10 – 10
10.. 86 = 11 = 13½ — 25 —— 83 – 2 – 15
11.. 107 = 11 = 14 —— 20 —— 83 – 10 – 5
12.. 79 = 11 = 16½ — 20 —— 83 – 7 – 5
13.. 81 = 11 = 12 —— 16 —— 30 – 8 – 10

Got these Chrons
of Mr. Currier –
the first four were
sent to Paris & London

Quotations from Paris Apl. 1828
— in a letter to A. Currie. —

						U. S. Par val.
Gold in Bars	1000/1000	fine per Kil. 3365.76	per Mc. 841.34	per Oz Troy 19.40	=	19.39
Silver, unusual	1000/1000	" " " 218.85	" " 54.72	" " " 1.27	=	1.29
Coin^d Fr. silver	900/1000	" " " 197.—	" " 49.25	" " " 1.14	=	1.16
Silver in Pate	dwt. gr. 11.18.2.3 = 979/1000	" " " 214.29	" " 53.57	" " " 1.24	=	1.26
Do. Do. Do with 25 grs. gold fine		" " " 296.72	" " 74.13	" " " 1.73		

The separation is stated to be charged at 1/1000 per Kilog. which is almost inimitable the 1/1000 of a franc being nearly appreciable — The gold is stated to be reduced in the hours from 2½ grains to 24 grains = loss of ½ to Cent

Span. dolls. of 27 grains = 416 3/4 grains Troy fine 10.20 = 903/1000	" " 197.66	" " 49.40	" " " 1.14½	

It appears [redacted] that 25 grs. fine gold in the above quotation enhances the price of the Kilogramme of silver 82 fr 43 c = $15.38 = $5.74 per pound Troy which corresponds to 142 grains fine gold in the pound

N.B. 1 Kilogramme = lb. oz. dwt. gr. 2-8-3-2 = Oz. 32.15/100 [redacted] = dwts 643½ = grains 15434

What grains are meant of which 25 are equal to 142 grains Troy in the pound does not appear — The stamps [redacted] on bars brought from S. Am. to the Mint indicating the quantity of gold they contain is understood to mean so many in the Spanish — by assay it is found almost uniformly that they express the actual quantity in the pound Troy the grains being taken as Troy grains.

Quotations
from Paris
respecting the
operation of
Sanford's bill
1828

That our Coins for several years subsequent to 1795 were inferior to the legal Stand^{d}. must be admitted — The Mint was then in its infancy & we were all experimentalists, divers causes some of which I have already mentioned contributed to the error (perhaps I may say unavoidably) those circumstances no longer exist & I rejoice to find that an Aſsayer of such high authority should report those of later emiſsions to be fully equal to our Stand^{d}. — The exagerated report in Kelly's tables has given me great uneasines from which I am now in part relieved — A few days since I addreſsed a Merchantile house in this city who have been in the practice of exporting Specie to Liverpool requesting they would furnish me with a statement of the prices they have obtained there for British Portuguese & American gold also Spanish dollars & our own half dollars during a period of six years last past which they have cheerfully promised to do it has not yet come to hand when it does it will furnish us with satisfactory items to prove the real value at which our coins are estimated in England

Joseph Richardson

3rd Mo 4th 1828

The extract from Hottinguer's letter states that the mint of Paris receives our silver coins at 890 without a trial. This is less than the 4th. of one per cent below our legal standard which in terms of the French system is 892.428 — The estimate is founded it appears on assays of the coins of 1807 & 1808 as that our silver coins up to the year 1796 were not regularly conformable to our legal standard is true — by a misconception of the Law they were during a part of that period made better than standard.

The latest coins assayed by Bonneville whose reports are of higher authority are those of 1798 which he makes fully equal to our standard.

In weight our half dollars are stated at an average of $207\frac{7}{10}$ grains instead of 208 their legal weight — As it is not known how long after their emission ~~the assays were made~~ the weight ~~[illegible]~~ was tried this point presents no occasion for any remark. — The coins of 1798 before mentioned as assayed by Bonneville are reported at a slight excess above their legal weight —

The French Mint estimates 890 grams of fine silver to produce 194.81 francs — and of coins 1000 grams to produce 218.88 francs. This arises it is presumed from the seigniorage retained as 1000 grams of fine silver are equivalent to 222.222 francs which would give for the value of the half dollar of the weight and fineness reported 2.65 francs which would correspond very nearly with the par between our dollar and the five franc piece derived from assays of that coin here.

The extract from the Liverpool letter presents no specific fact from which to infer how nearly the assays alluded to present results conformable to our standard.

The above observations were verbally communicated to Mr. Biddle

Saml Moore

Feby 27. 1828

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Proforma acct sales of a shipment of ten Thousand Dollars received from United States viz

19460	half Dolls. American U States. wt. Ko 261757. at 890/100		
	Fay at fr. 194.81. pr. Kil.	f 50.992.88	
	prem 4 fr pr. 1000.	203.97	51196.85
540.	half Dolls of Spain wt. Ko 7092. at 896/100		
	Fay at fr. 196.12 pr Kilg.	f 1390.88	
	premium 5 f. pr. 1000.	6.95	1397.83
20.000	half Dollars ——	Francs	52,594.68

Paris 14 April 1828

Taken from an actual sale made by us some days ago, from which you will perceive that new American half Dollars with a premium of 4 pr. thousand are equal to francs 2.63 & Spanish half Dolls from the great wear though of a better standard will only give fs 2.60/3 — Hottinguer &Co

Treasury Department
November 26th 1828 —

Sir,

I have received your letter of the 24th instant, requesting that a remittance of Two thousand eight hundred & ninety three Dollars & forty cents, the balance to the credit of the appropriation account for "Contingent Expenses & Repairs of the Mint &ca." might be remitted to the Treasurer of the Mint; and that as a difference existed as to what you supposed to be the balance, and the actual balance, a statement of the account should be furnished — In compliance with your request a remittance of the above amount has been directed, & subjoined is a statement of the account as it stands on the books of this Office. —

I am
Sir Respectfully
Your Obt. Servt.
Richard Rush

Samuel Moore Esq
Director of the Mint
Philada.

Contingent Expenses & Repairs of the Mint

1828			1828	
Warrants dated	in favor of the Treasr.		Balance of appropriation of 1827. —	12,782..35
7 January 1828	of the Mint —	2000..	Appn. for the year 1828	9.500.. —
20 Feby. "	"	4000.		22 282..35
19 April "	"	4000.		
9 June "	"	5388..95		
25 July "	"	4000..		
11 [illegible]	bal	2893..40		
26 Novr. 1828		$ 22282..35		$ 22,282..35
		2893..40	bal	2.893..40

Treasury Department
January 1 1828

Sir

I have received your letter of the 22d ultimo, and for reply, beg leave to enclose to you, a letter of the Register of the Treasury, containing explanations of the particulars in the Treasury statements of Exports and Imports, to which you refer.

I am very Respectfully
your mo Ob Servt

Richard Rush.

Samuel Moore Esq
Director of the
Mint, Phila

Mint of the U. States

Dear Sir   Philada. Jan. 10. 1828

Yours of the 7th. was recd. yesterday — I thank you for having introduced the subject of the Mint and will write you fully in regard to it in a few days.

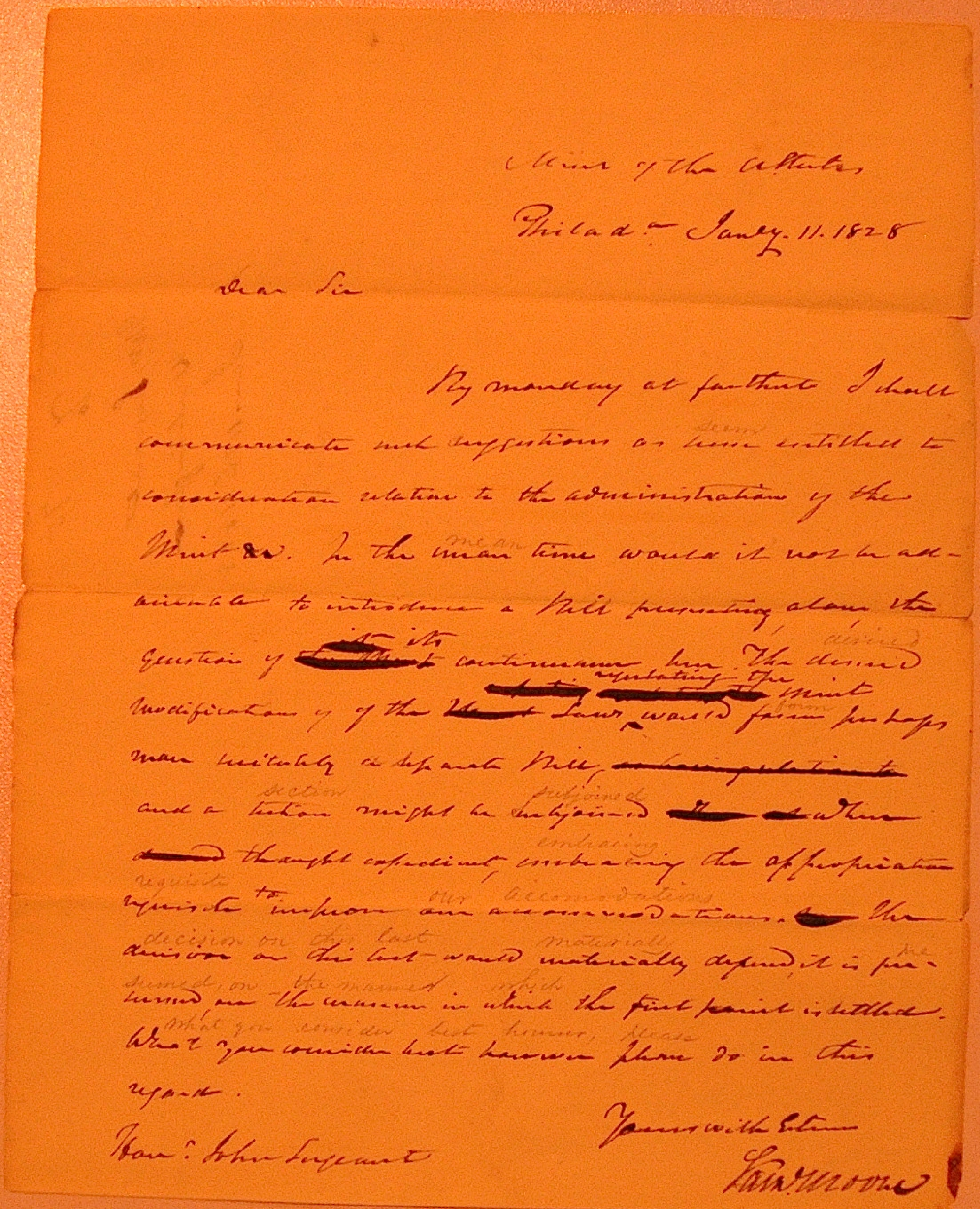
Three topics will merit consideration — The continuance of the Mint here either for a limited time or indefinitely — Further legal enactments in regard to points on which the existing provisions are silent or inadequate — And an extension of the accommodations of the Mint at its present site or the erection of suitable buildings in a new position. Whether it will be most expedient to present the first singly to the House you will determine.

The annual report on the transactions of the Mint was sent forward very recently and is now with the President or Secretary of the Treasury. I have supposed that a brief notice of the progressive operations of the Mint from their commencement would be acceptable and have therefore presented such a statement in this report.

Yours with much Esteem

Saml Moore

Honl John Sergeant



Mint of the U. States

Philada. Jany. 11. 1828

Dear Sir

By monday at farthest I shall communicate such suggestions as seem entitled to consideration relative to the administration of the Mint &c. In the mean time would it not be advisable to introduce a Bill presenting alone the question of ~~the Mint~~ its continuance here. The desired modification of the ~~Mint~~ laws ~~[illegible]~~ regulating the Mint would form perhaps more suitably a separate Bill, ~~[illegible]~~ and a section might be subjoined ~~[illegible]~~ when ~~[illegible]~~ thought expedient, embracing the appropriation requisite to improve our accommodations. ~~[illegible]~~ The decision on this last would materially depend, it is presumed, on the manner in which the first point is settled. What you consider best however please do in this regard.

Yours with Esteem

Saml. Moore

Hon. John Sergeant

Sir

Mint of the United States
Jan. 15. 1828

I avail myself agreeably to your invitation of the occasion presented by the appointment of a Committee on the Mint to suggest the utility of some further legal provisions relative thereto.

In regard to the leading point embraced by the resolution, an extension of the law for continuing the Mint in this City no observations are perhaps necessary. Presuming that no change of location will be deemed conducive to the public interest I forbear making any remarks on that topic unless called for by the Committee ~~on that topic~~, and confine myself to those particulars in ~~their~~ regard to which experience and solicitous reflection enable me to recommend some modifications of or additions to, the existing enactments. Those particulars will be presented in numerical order for the facility of reference to them and in relation to each the requisite explanations will be subsequently annexed.

An Act which should contain in substance the following provisions ~~substantially~~, would be beneficially felt in the administration of the affairs of the Mint, with the requisite precision and efficiency.

1 That for the purpose of securing a due conformity in ~~determining the~~ weight ~~respectively~~ of the coins of the United States ~~conformably~~ to the provisions of the 9th section of the Act of April 2. 1792 the brass Troy pound ~~weight~~ procured by the Minister of the United States at London in the year 1827 for the use of the Mint, and now in the custody of the Director thereof

being a ~~duly authenticated~~ true satisfactorily attested copy of the Parliamentary Troy pound of the year 1758, shall be ~~deemed~~ fixed the standard Troy pound of the Mint of the United States, conformably to which the coinage thereof shall be regulated.

2 That it shall be the duty of the Director of the Mint to ~~cause to be made~~ procure and ~~to~~ keep safely a ~~series~~ series of weights corresponding to the ~~above~~ aforesaid Troy pound consisting of a one pound weight, with the requisite subdivisions and multiples thereof, from the hundredth part of a grain to twenty five pounds, and that the troy weights ordinarily employed in the transactions of the Mint shall be regulated according ~~to~~ thereto at least once in every year under his inspection, and their accuracy tested in presence of the Assay Commissioners on the day of the annual Assay ~~appointed by the 18th Section of the act aforesaid~~.

3 That the gold and silver coins reserved by the Treasurer of the Mint for the aforesaid annual Assay conformably to the provisions of the 18th Sect. of the act aforesaid shall be tried in presence of the Officers designated for that purpose, both in regard to fineness and weight, and if the gold coins when assayed shall ~~not~~ be found inferior in fineness to the legal standard thereof more than one part in two hundred and eighty eight parts, ~~and~~ or the silver coins when assayed shall ~~not~~ be found inferior in fineness to the legal standard thereof more than one part in two hundred and forty parts, ~~and~~ or if the gold coins ~~in the aggregate weight thereof~~ shall in the weight thereof ~~not be found inferior~~ fall short of ~~to~~ the weight required by law, more than one part in ~~two~~ one thousand parts, ~~in~~ or the silver coins more than one part in ~~one thousand parts~~ five hundred parts, ~~the Officer or Officers~~ of the said Mint ~~from whom it may concern shall be held accountable, but if any greater inferiority shall appear~~ it shall be certified to the President of

the United States and the ~~Mint~~ Officer or Officers, whom it may concern shall be deemed disqualified to hold their respective offices: but if the inferiority shall not be found greater than in the aforesaid proportions, usually x

Mint or Officer

& then the Officer shall be held excusable: Provided however that if any delivery of gold coin from the Mint in pay^t or deposits shall in the aggregate weight thereof be inferior to the weight required by law in a greater proportion than one part in ten thousand parts, or any delivery of silver coins in payment of deposits inferior to the weight required by law in a greater proportion than one part in five thousand parts, the Officer whom it may concern shall be held liable to the owners thereof for the amount of such inferiority.

4 That when silver bullion brought to the Mint for coinage is found to require the operation of the test the expense of the materials employed in the process together with a reasonable allowance ~~[illegible]~~ for the wastage necessarily arising therefrom, to be determined by the Melter and Refiner of the Mint with the approbation of the Director, shall be retained from said deposits, and accounted for by the Treasurer of the Mint to the Treasury of the United States.

5 That when silver bullion brought to the Mint for coinage is found to contain a proportion of gold the separation thereof shall be effected at the expense of the party interested therein: provided however that when the proportion of gold is such that it can not be advantageously separated, it shall be lawful with the consent of said party, or in his absence at the discretion of the Director, to coin the same as an ordinary deposite of silver.

6 That the Director of the Mint may employ the necessary clerks with a compensation not exceeding in the whole seventeen hundred dollars, and as many workmen and attendants as the business of the Mint shall require; and may, with the approbation of the President of the United States appoint an Assistant ~~Assayer~~ an Assistant Coiner ~~and~~ an Assistant ~~Assayer~~ Engraver, and an Assistant Melter & Refiner when such Assistants ~~[illegible]~~ shall be found necessary respectively, with a compensation proportioned to the duties performed to be approved by the President of the United States.

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7 That the Assistant Assayer may receive and assay bullion not intended for coinage, and give certificates of the fineness thereof at such rates of charge to be paid by the owners of said bullion and under such regulations as the Director of the Mint may establish ~~with the approbation of the President may approve & establish~~

8 That the copper coins issued from the Mint shall be paid by the Treasurer thereof into the Treasury of the United States, or distributed at the expense and risk of the Government under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury shall ~~approve~~ prescribe.

~~9 That an allowance for wastage on the precious metals in the various operations of the Mint may be made to the Melter and Refiner and Chief Coiner by the Director of the Mint with the approbation of the President of the United States provided that such allowance shall not exceed the lowest percentage of loss to the United States hitherto accruing on account of wastage in any former year.~~

Provision on " on the foregoing

On the ~~following~~ foregoing provisions I beg leave to offer the following remarks ~~in~~ in their order.

1. That the weights intended in the act of Apl. 2. 1792 establishing the Mint ~~have reference~~ ~~to~~ [illegible] are parts of the troy pound is manifest, but no specific standard by which the weights used in the Mint could be tested has ever been designated. The weights actually employed in the Mint are of uncertain origin ~~though~~ though some of them are supposed to have been compared with the ~~weights~~ standards in the British Mint, no voucher of the fact ~~is~~ remains if it ever accompanied them. ~~I~~ I have felt much solicitude on this subject ~~and though it could not be doubted but that weights used for thirty years without regulation~~ ~~[illegible] must be in some measure~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~it is but~~ but until recently ~~the~~ had standard no ~~weight~~ of such ~~high~~ authority that I could venture to subject to examination by means of it the weights ~~to~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~that~~ employed in the Mint ~~for~~ ~~at~~ nearly thirty years without ~~any~~ ~~[illegible]~~ regulation. ~~authentication of the accuracy at first are many of ascertaining the same.~~

Under a resolution of Senate of May 10. 1826 it became my duty to examine with all practicable accuracy the weights of the foreign coins circulating in the United States, and ~~[illegible]~~ in order to obtain the means of ~~a~~ ~~creating~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] with [illegible] I availed myself of the departure my

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have afterwards of Mr Gallatin for London, to which his attention to the procuring a perfect copy of the ~~orig~~ standard ~~[illegible]~~ troy pound ~~[illegible]~~ of 1758. ~~[illegible] in possession of the Clerk of the House of Commons~~ ~~[illegible]~~

Unanticipated ~~[illegible]~~ incidents retarded the accomplishment ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ the ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible] in time~~ to ~~[illegible] the original~~ ~~[illegible]~~ for which the ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ for a whole year of the object so much desired; but this delay has been amply compensated by ~~[illegible]~~ with incomparable ~~opinion~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ of the critical fulfilment, through the ~~[illegible]~~ attention of Capt Kater, ~~[illegible]~~ a name of the highest authority in whatever relates the subject of ~~weights or measures [illegible]~~. The admirable manner in which the truth of it was determined by him, and the conclusion vouches from himself ~~[illegible]~~ ~~Mr Gallatin~~ and Mr Gallatin leave nothing to be desired in this regard ~~[illegible]~~. It was delivered to me by a public Messenger of the Govern. in a sealed packet ~~[illegible]~~ are the name and seals of Mr Gallatin. You are acquainted with the formalities under which the packet ~~It was delivered into my hand in a sealed packet~~ ~~the seals and [illegible]~~ ~~the [illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ The weight was delivered into my hands by a public Messenger of the Gov.t in a packet sealed and endorsed by Mr. Gallatin whose seals and handwriting were identified by the President without they were exhibited, on his passing thro' the city in October last ~~[illegible]~~ before the seals were broken,

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It has never since been out of my custody to the present time. ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ A copy ~~[illegible]~~ more perfect of the only true standard troy pound is perhaps no where in existence ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ It would be difficult ~~[illegible]~~ to obtain another equally accurate ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~of which [illegible]~~ and ~~[illegible]~~ hardly less difficult to ~~[illegible]~~ combine an equal ~~commutation~~ ~~[illegible]~~ of testimony to authenticate ~~it~~ ~~[illegible]~~ at once its ~~[illegible]~~ identity and truth. ~~[illegible]~~

I have designated the original ~~[illegible]~~ as the Parliamentary ~~[illegible]~~ troy pound of 1758 — it is however well known that the troy pound ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ the same identical ~~[illegible]~~ ~~standard [illegible] of weights adopted~~ ~~[illegible]~~ is that which was adopted by the British Gov.t in 1824 as their stand.d unit of weight.

if this

If this weight should be adopted as the Mint standard the transition would ~~[illegible]~~ become easy to an establishment and diffusion over the Union of uniform standards of weights at least — for this and for the adoption of a system respecting measures we are as well prepared as we can be ~~[illegible]~~ all that can be desired ~~[illegible]~~ on the subject. Mr. Adams Report is full of facts and information, and since the date of it a new ~~[illegible]~~ blaze of light has been shed on the subject, relative to the pendulum as an instrument for perpetuating standards ~~[illegible]~~ In this field none has labored with more brilliant success than Capt. Kater — Pardon this digression.

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2d The second provision it is probable will be acceptable if the first should prove so — This ~~[illegible]~~ ~~Interest~~ was the least important feature of it that the commissioners of the annual Assay are made inspectors of the ~~scales~~ accuracy of the weights used ~~[illegible]~~ — without a ~~[illegible]~~ special period assigned for such duties they are liable to ~~[illegible]~~ be procrastinated and forgotten. The annual Assay Comm.rs are ~~[illegible]~~ designated in the act of Jan. 14. 1818 and are the District Judge Collector of the Port and Dist. Attorney —

~~Mint of the United States~~
~~Philad.a Jany. 15. 1828~~

~~Sir~~

~~I avail myself of the occasion presented by the appointment of a Committee on the Mint, agreeably to your invitation, to suggest the utility of some further legal provisions relative ~~thereto~~.~~

~~In regard to the leading point embraced by the resolution, an extension of the continuance of the~~

The remedy for the violation of the Officers ~~against~~ in regard to or unintentional ~~casual~~ errors ~~either of want of sufficient knowledge~~ ~~of their defect~~ &c is by the penal Law one in one hundred and forty four in 18 Sect. Act of Ap. 2. 1792. — It has been doubted whether this includes any allowance except for deviations in fineness — ~~The terms of the law bear but that construction~~ The terms of the law bear but that construction and Mr. ~~Hamilton~~ in ~~his~~ Report on Wts and Measures understood it ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~. — It has been understood however ~~by at the Mint~~, and ~~[illegible]~~ generally by the Assay Commissions to include the aggregate deviations ~~in [illegible]~~ from the legal value of the coins in value thus including fineness and Wt. — It is however too liberal if it were considered to include ~~[illegible]~~ both. — ~~[illegible]~~ A remedy in Wt. is absolutely necessary; for perfect accuracy in this respect is not attainable without such attentions and expense on every piece as would render the Mint ~~[illegible]~~ or very expensive or wholly unproductive ~~of [illegible]~~. The remedy ought indeed to be not very rigorous as the penalty is ~~very~~ extremely severe and apparently admits of no mitigation. I have not however intended to suggest ~~[illegible]~~ any modification in that respect ~~[illegible]~~ nor do I wish it. ~~[illegible]~~. The officers ~~[illegible]~~ are content to abide by the remedy proposed and will no doubt

hitherto have ~~[illegible]~~ marked the measures of our ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ this consideration would ~~[illegible]~~ the not be disregarded and forbid applying the provisions if adopted to any ope- ~~[illegible]~~

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~~[illegible]~~ come far within it — the aim is to be exact to the requisitions of the law in Wt. and fineness, and things ~~[illegible]~~ are frequently transcended ~~in~~ a little as fallen short of ~~it~~. The remedy now proposed for ~~in~~ gold ~~in fineness~~ gives one half the latitude of the ~~[illegible]~~ present — whereas requires a more liberal remedy than gold the ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ of the assay in it being incapable of equal precision and constancy the remedy here now proposed for silver is far more ~~[illegible]~~ will than the present being ~~one~~ in 240 whereas the British remedy instead of one in 144 — The remedy in weight is more rigorous than the English but I ~~[illegible]~~ believe it can be ~~[illegible]~~ obtained ~~they might be[illegible]~~ ~~number of pieces together — the practice of the assay~~ ~~[illegible] is~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~to weigh all the assay pieces~~ ~~together which is about 200 pieces the~~ for the English remedy see page 218 Kelly's Cambist Vol. I The remedy in weight is less liberal than either the English or the French, perhaps less liberal than it might be proposed ~~the remedy should not so much [illegible]~~ as the penalty under the present laws is extremely severe, and apparently admits of no mitigation — I have not ventured to propose any modification in this respect ~~of it~~ — the officers concerned ~~are~~ ~~satisfied~~ content to abide by

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~~it~~ it and no doubt will generally come far within the limit ~~it~~ — The last ~~[illegible]~~ intentions that ~~[illegible]~~ of binding the officers ~~to make good~~

It is to be observed that ~~as~~ the latitude ~~of this~~ offered by all ~~the~~ allowances now proposed is only a ~~intermediate~~ ~~[illegible]~~ come for unintended or casual errors — The ~~[illegible]~~ proper of the officer is to come up precisely to the requisitions of the law; sometimes ~~it~~ inconsequently transcending the line and sometimes falling short — The 17th section of the act of Apl. 2. 1792 enjoins on them the execution of the coins as nearly as may be according to their legal weight & fineness — in the observance of this as of all the other laws bearing ~~[illegible]~~ on their ~~[illegible]~~ duties they are bound ~~[illegible]~~ under oaths, and besides for any wilful ~~wilfull~~ deviation ~~of~~ from the legal standard & Wt. of the coin they are liable to very severe inflictions — formerly this was a capital offence by the 19th section of the ~~[illegible]~~ act ~~[illegible]~~ but this was changed for the more particularly specified inflictions ~~of~~ provided by the 24th section of the act of March 3d. 1825 for the punishment

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of crimes against the United States.

4 This provision ~~has been often wanted~~ ~~[illegible]~~ appears to be ~~calculated to afford the [illegible]~~ of ~~[illegible]~~ use occasionally ~~and it was intended to have been otherwise~~ bullion is brought to the Mint in a state to [illegible] incur a ~~in the [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] of [illegible]~~ considerable loss by assaying before it is reduced to ~~the~~ ~~1827 for [illegible] the [illegible] of the~~ condition ~~[illegible]~~ ~~fit [illegible] of the~~ more ~~[illegible]~~ ~~Mint in Phila~~ ordinary deposits ~~as [illegible] [illegible]~~ ~~[illegible] [illegible] of the Mint. [illegible]~~ ~~the [illegible] was [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]~~ applied only to ~~the [illegible] [illegible]. The [illegible]~~ ~~had been [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] is [illegible]~~ the cost of ~~the~~ materials is already charged to the depositor by existing regulations. ~~he [illegible]~~ ~~at [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]~~ This amendment to them it ~~[illegible]~~ may be proper ~~to [illegible]~~ ~~[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] will [illegible] be [illegible]~~ that the Sect. ~~[illegible]~~ so as to [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ to the Mint ~~[illegible]~~ — This ~~[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]~~ at the same ~~[illegible]~~ and ~~[illegible] [illegible]~~ wholly derived from ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ in other ~~[illegible]~~ and brought into the U States ~~in~~ various forms in the ~~[illegible]~~ of commerce & large quantities therefore [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~

5 It has occurred lately ~~of~~ two deposits ~~of~~ silver coin containing Gold — the one had so much that in a tedious process which would occupy nearly 90 days the gain to the depositor will be about ten dollars in ~~[illegible]~~ dollars worth of silver. The other having a little less would have been ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] only by an actual loss — A great deal of silver contains some Gold many of the Spanish dollars contain it and an [illegible] [illegible] with it remaining in — the [illegible]

much less time would be [illegible] by the agency of the [illegible] Mint

5 Silver containing a small quantity of gold will probably ~~[illegible]~~ be often be brought to the Mint — many of the Spanish dollars contains a small quantity of it. The usual process to which silver bullion is subjected, will not detect its presence. The purport however of the present provision is that when the existence of gold in silver is known if it be in too small a proportion to bear the separation with profit the whole may be coined as silver. The spirit and object of the law is respected in such coinage — it is the very reverse of an adulteration of the national coins, but the letter of the law requires that every dollar shall contain 371 1/4 grains of pure silver — a very minute portion of this weight in the coinage alluded to would be pure ~~[illegible]~~ gold. Two cases of some moment have recently occurred involving this question, the adoption of the principle recommended will probably obviate other embarrassing applications.

6 The second section of the Act of Apl 2. 1792 authorises the employment by the Director with the approbation of the President of the requisite clerks and workmen. After the removal of the Governmt. this power has been exercised by the

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Director alone, the reference of the subject to the President in the frequent changes which occur among the men employed in the Mint being impracticable the appointment of clerks and workmen should be considered as pertaining wholly to the Director. No new appointment is contemplated. The law at present permits the Director to expend 2700 dollars in clerk hire, it is not however so expended, nor has more than half that amt. been expended for that object ~~within the~~ for some years past.

The power to appoint assistants in the various departments of the Mint I am anxious to have confided either to the Director alone or to him under the approbation of the President, it has under former Directors been done in both ~~ways~~ modes. Unless some exigency not in immediate prospect should occur no appointment would follow this permission except in the Assayer's Department, in which such an adjunct is nothing short of being indispensible to preserve us from the hazard of being suddenly arrested in an operation. I will not dilate on this any further now, but conclude on this point with an earnest expression of my conviction that the power of introducing into the ~~the~~ principal departments of the Mint competent assistants when the exigencies demanding the measure shall arise is of vital importance to the efficiency of the Mint in the coming years.

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7 If this provision be adopted it will enable me to obtain the aid of an Assistant Assayer with a very small compensation at the public expense, and will also save to the Mint the expense occasionally of assaying bullion the owner of which has no object but to learn its quality that it may be sold to some of the artists of the City. The present law does not by any obvious construction permit the Assayer of the Mint to assay bullion not intended for coinage.

8 The manner in which the copper coins of the U States are distributed is perhaps as judicious and effective as any which can be devised. It is such as I doubt not would be pursued if the provision offered be approved; but the existing laws do not authorise the measure in a manner that is by any means clear and direct.

If on any of the points presented further explanation shall be desired it will be cheerfully communicated.

Your Obt. Servant   Yours &c Saml Moore

Washington Jan. 21. 1828.

My dear Sir,

The Committee on the Mint had a meeting this morning. They agreed to continue the Mint at Philad.a for five years and until otherwise provided by law. They also agreed to adopt and incorporate most of your suggestions, but they directed me, with respect to some of them, to ask for further information from you, and, if upon receiving it, they should agree with you in opinion, they will then direct me to propose amendments to the bill intended to be reported. I will now state what they are,

1. As to the protection of the officers - you propose to make the law more severe, and, at the same time, particularly as to weight, you expreſs a doubt whether it will not be too severe - Upon this point, the Committee wish to have your decided opinion, and I will be glad to receive any information, as to the practice of other Mints, or other such information as you may think material.

2. As to the appointment of assistants to the Assayer, Coiner &c, the Committee wish to know whether you

it indispensable, or very important, as to the whole or any of them, and the grounds of your opinion. They wish you also to state what salary ought, in your opinion, to be allowed to these aſsistants, if authorized.

Upon each of these points, I will thank you to state your opinion as fully as may be practicable.

Truly yr.

John Sergeant.

Samuel Moore Esqr.

Director of the Mint.

Jany. 28. 1828

Dear Sir

The Copy of the Bill relative to the Mint for which I thank you is at hand. I delayed to see whether the Mail of yesterday would bring me any thing further than a new [illegible] drop you a few lines ~~[illegible]~~ being about to leave the City for Bucks County for two days, on my return I will promptly attend to ~~any~~ further requests from you after receiving my late communication.

If there be any danger in amending the bill ~~[illegible]~~ when it comes up ~~[illegible]~~ it would perhaps be wise to let it pass as it is, ~~[illegible]~~ but this I submit to your judgment. The provision relative to the allowance ~~[illegible]~~ would be in place as the 4th section. It is not of immediate moment ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] not appear considerable to us when contrasted with the [illegible]

× In the 7th section it would be preferable to say "that it shall be lawful for the Director of the Mint to cause to be assayed and assayed &c" as the Director is not properly a coining Officer. This however is not essential.

× In the 6th section ~~[illegible]~~ to say ~~[illegible]~~ Assistants and Workmen it would perhaps be better [illegible]. The import [illegible] then upon its assistance would be employed [illegible] their continuance to be dependent on the pleasure of Congress to make the appropriation — As the law now [illegible]

My ~~[illegible]~~ repetition respecting the ~~[illegible]~~ of the Apportions ~~[illegible]~~ is omitted but it is not very material. The intention of Congress is ~~[illegible]~~ accomplished by the existing mode though the law contemplated apparently a different one — —

Hon. John Sergeant

Yours truly Saml Moore

Philad.a Jan. 24. 1828

Dear Sir

You will receive herewith the ~~remarks which occur to me~~ as meeting the points ~~on which the~~ explanation requested by the Committee ~~was required~~. If the app.t of Ass.t ~~Assayer~~ Artists will occasion any embarrass.t in the House I do not wish it urged — though I feel its importance to the full extent I have stated —

The provision in view will form, as I now understand the intentions of the Committee, a part of the bill for continuing the Mint here. I had entertained a hope that the latter question would have been passed on simply as the time is short; and farther it had occurred to me that the request for an appropriation to enable us to erect proper buildings for the Mint, of suitable capacity and respectability, might have been ventured by way of Amend.t at the close of the bill containing the provisions in question ~~[illegible]~~ — but it will not be judicious I presume to offer such an Am.t while the subject ~~question~~ of the continuance of the Mint remains undecided —

Do not allow any of these crude remarks ~~by suggestions~~ to change in any manner your own purpose formed with so much clearer knowledge of the circumstances requiring to be taken into mind —

With great esteem

Yours truly

Saml. Moore

Hon. John Sergeant.

Washington

Dear Sir   Jany. 25. 1828

On recollecting that my com.^n of last evening will not probably be ~~indeed~~ submitted to the notice of the Comm.^e before Monday I trouble you with a few additional observations which may be satisfactory —

In my remarks of yesterday on the subject ~~the importance of having the power of appoint~~ of app^ts. no actual attempt has been made to ~~before~~ diminish the objection~~able~~ aspects of it by a ~~consideration~~ of the probable [illegible] it will occasionally involve ~~the same~~ [illegible] nor to multiply the examples of its exercise hitherto. The two instances mentioned are of app^ts made without pending app^n. by the Director the Pres^t. approving the measure ~~which~~ ~~approbation~~ has been considered as ~~strictly~~ ~~conformably~~ to the ~~intention~~ ~~law~~ and not ~~having any other~~ to the ~~individuals employed~~ besides these ~~two~~ there were ~~various~~ instances of temporary app^ts. of assistants holding a diff^t. grade from workmen in the Assayer & Engravers dep^ts. ~~within~~ ~~compensations were appropriated for by~~

1 ~~I~~ ~~remaining the~~ ~~[illegible]~~ In my remarks of yesterday ~~I think~~ ~~found sufficiently extended~~ I omitted some particulars which may be interesting to be noticed

The restriction on the infer.^r of coins deliv.^d in weight ~~the~~ ~~[illegible]~~ proposed to depositors has the beneficial tendency of a very limited allowance of that kind ~~[illegible]~~ for errors ~~&c~~. To come within the rule the average w^t. of silver coins must not deviate more than about the 10th of a grain from the legal w^t. in the dollar — and the Gold coins not more than the above the 30th of a grain in the eagle. The individual coins will differ [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] or deficit ~~[illegible]~~ shall [illegible] The effort ~~being~~ ~~[illegible]~~ to attain the true w^t. not too light ~~[illegible]~~ some of our deliveries will a little exceed the true w^t.s or a little fall short. When our weights are adjusted to an invariable standard, ~~by which~~ according to which this minute accuracy can be perpetuated, I feel confident that the average w^t. of our ~~[illegible]~~ coins taken throughout the year, would not deviate ~~more than~~ more than the hundredth part of a grain in the dollar or Eagle from the true legal w^t. ~~and~~ ~~The~~ the deviation would probably be in excess the coin being as before stated to [illegible] allowance the average the coin w^d. not too light, & for that [illegible] lies the penalty— I may remark that the remedy in the Mint applies to coins of excess as well as deficit, ~~[illegible] [illegible] the penalty attach equally to the [illegible]~~ supposing they are [illegible] ~~both sides~~. I had once thought of ~~[illegible]~~ and there could be no ~~[illegible]~~ objection to this ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~The government that~~ It ~~would~~ might appear hard & unnecessary to subject an officer to most severe penalty for making the coin too good. ~~This~~ ~~[illegible]~~ an error I may remark ~~does not~~ does not require ~~affect~~ the interest of the depositor, who will lose nothing by his ~~[illegible]~~ bullion being made into coin too heavy or too fine, for he receives ~~[illegible]~~ the ~~[illegible]~~ am^t. ~~[illegible]~~ reported by the Assayer as the standard value of his bullion. It would to the extent that it might occur ~~[illegible]~~ add to the expense of the State in supporting the Mint, because all the surplus metal thus misapplied would stand to the acc^t. of wastage in the operation of coinage.

Mint allow

4 In my suggestion on a former occasion respecting the standard ~~[illegible]~~ I have only proposed it as the Mint Standard— but if adopted in this one I can not but hope that the basis will have been laid ~~[illegible]~~ of a system of uniformity & eventually ~~[illegible]~~ of Measures ~~[illegible]~~ in general ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible] difficulties as to weights~~ for which we are as well prepared as we need desire— ~~In respect to weights there is no real difficulty to overcome except the decimal system~~ There are no difficulties in relation either to weights or measures which time will diminish— ~~The Report of Mr Adams is full of the fact and [illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ More information to be ~~[illegible]~~ had relative to the facts in the case which we are now possessed of— Mr Adams report is full of facts and instruction drawn skilfully from a most studious research. And as to the means of ~~[illegible]~~ ~~so~~ necessary to be—

interesting standards, which ~~by the way~~ however may be a subsequent object of attention, the pendulum of Capt. Kater and his highly scientific methods ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ of experiment & comparison and ~~[illegible]~~ give all the facilities which can be expected for objects connected. which On this subject I beg leave to mention the great advantage it would be with ~~a view to~~ the ~~[illegible]~~ new comparison of standard weights to have a beam of the ~~[illegible]~~ most perfect structure which the long experience of the artists of England can supply — they would ~~serve~~ as patterns for our best artists ~~and~~ to which they could work ~~for~~ with much benefit to themselves and to the improvement of our mechanics in our Country. The construction of a perfect scale beam is the highest achievement of ~~the~~ mechanical skill.

My brother ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~Mr F. A. Fisher of this~~ ~~[illegible] went to Europe in~~ When Mr Fisher went to England ~~City [illegible]~~ ~~[illegible] and [illegible]~~ in company with Mr Gallatin he was expected to obtain for the Unit two scale beams one for the heavier and one for small weights — finding that they could only be procured ~~by [illegible]~~ instantly to ~~delay~~ ~~Then~~ he ~~[illegible]~~ omitted the further ~~[illegible]~~ and [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ it ~~[illegible]~~ ~~the~~ ~~procuring~~ of ~~them~~, but availed himself of the occasion to ~~[illegible]~~ to obtain ~~and~~ to acquire much useful information relative thereto. It would secure the most certain & successful accomplishment of this highly important object if Mr Fisher should ~~which he probably has [illegible]~~ of which he speaks as soon as his health will happily return to Europe, ~~or~~ ~~any appointment~~ from the charge with our public affairs a circumstance as would warrant I am persuaded in such a case in giving him the continuance ~~[illegible]~~ facilities but conduce to its happy accomplishment. Is there any ~~[illegible]~~ prospect that a public Messenger will be required to go to Europe with ~~either of the [illegible]~~ ~~any~~ despatches or ~~[illegible]~~ ~~from the State Dept.~~ If so will you ~~[illegible]~~ please to mention with my respects to the Secretary of State ~~to Mr Clay~~ the name of Mr [illegible] — You are well informed in some of the important ~~and~~ useful branches of ~~[illegible]~~, and [illegible] his accomplishments of ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ hand or character in so satisfactory manner may be relied on —

The unit we ~~so~~ have so happily obtained thro the attention of Mr Gallatin, will derive additional value from the possession of the most perfect means of diffusing ~~the~~ exact copies of it — ~~To which the~~ ~~the system of our weights~~ ~~which~~ is the object ~~[illegible]~~ is ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ is worthy of the highest regard ~~of~~ ~~[illegible]~~ I feel assured that Mr. Clay would ~~[illegible]~~ ~~the [illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ take such interest in the ~~[illegible]~~ its accomplishment.

[illegible] 5, which is the condition [illegible]

3 It may be satisfactory to mention that the whole expense of the Mint for the past year ~~will be~~ ~~less than~~ has been about 30000 dollars, ~~the details~~ ~~to the [illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~by the [illegible] of the Mint [illegible]~~. The coinage, you will have noticed, exceeds ~~3000000 of [illegible]~~ 3,000,000 — ~~This is [illegible] [illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ and the coins nearly all silver — There is no example known to me of a mint at all corresponding in foreign Mints. Even with the advantage of our Cent. coined nearly superior to any, which ~~[illegible]~~ diminishes the ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~of [illegible] I have [illegible]~~ seen ~~[illegible]~~ Am.t ~~at all [illegible]~~ is the ordinary expense of a silver coinage is ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible] than~~ 1½ per cent ~~on silver~~ There is an am.t of [illegible] arising on ~~the~~ above coinage not included in the 30000 dollars — it will be about 5000 on the 3 millions — The gain on the copper coins issued within the year ~~[illegible]~~ may be stated at about 7000, so that the nett burden of the Mint on the national treasury ~~of the~~ ~~of the Mint~~ may be stated at about $28,000 —

2 In my remarks on the Dept. of Assistants it has not been my aim to ~~[illegible]~~ any objectionable ~~[illegible]~~ actual of it by ~~[illegible]~~ calculating of the probable [illegible] ~~the actual expense in any one year will be [illegible]~~ ~~[illegible] not [illegible]~~ of the ~~[illegible]~~ actual [illegible] can be [illegible] to the ~~[illegible]~~ Engineer Dept his ~~[illegible]~~ qualification for ~~[illegible]~~ offering ~~[illegible]~~ would ~~[illegible]~~ seem fit the means ~~[illegible]~~ the appropriation ~~with for~~ those who may ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ actual ~~[illegible]~~ obtained, ~~[illegible]~~ not [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ the ~~[illegible]~~ expense in ~~[illegible]~~ would be less than ~~[illegible]~~ ~~the Engineer Dept would be increased only by temporary additions~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~incidental [illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ and ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ attainments would probably make him and his [illegible] available in place of one of the other Assts. contemplated if ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ the [illegible] for [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible] are. As further extended, as many ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] operations ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] the absolute expense [illegible] [illegible], the [illegible] would ~~[illegible]~~ diminish and [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] four or five millions ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ the exact organization of the Department by [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ competent Assts. [illegible] would rather [illegible] than increase the annual expense. My wish only be obtained if the power of making these appts. ~~[illegible]~~ is ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ will [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible]. I feel ~~[illegible]~~ that union of the [illegible] and unable to all the proper motives which should inspire it, to discharge effectively ~~the~~ ~~[illegible]~~ delicate operations [illegible] ~~the~~ [illegible] the [illegible] of ~~the~~ [illegible] with ~~a~~ the approbation of those who are ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ to ~~[illegible]~~ the Guardians of the public expenditure. ~~[illegible] to the [illegible] [illegible]~~

Why not mention [illegible]

8 I fear you will find this correspondence very ~~[illegible]~~ troublesome — Your having been in haste your letter expressed a wish that I should write fully, you will excuse ~~to~~ me therefore when I may seem prolix —

This will be as far as you may think proper a com.n to the Legis.r either — If in any point I can facilitate ~~the~~ ~~[illegible]~~ accomplishment of the passage of such a bill as you may introduce please inform me.

5 So much of this letter as you may think proper is for the Committee. I address it however without a special view to that application of it, apprehending that it may arrive too late to have any ~~[illegible]~~ bearing on their decision on the points mentioned.

If on any other point you may wish me to communicate with you please say so — I fear however you will find this correspondence inconveniently to ~~[illegible]~~ encroach on your time. With great esteem

Yours truly

Sam.l Moore

Hon. John Sergeant.

Mint of the U. States
Philada. Jan: 24. 1828

Sir

Your letter requesting on behalf of the Comm. on the Mint ~~some~~ an explanation of ~~two~~ of some of the points submitted to their consideration was recd. yesterday, In reply ~~[illegible]~~ I beg leave ~~now~~ respectfully to ~~[illegible]~~ state—

The remedy of the English Mint for gold is in fineness 1 in 384, that of ~~the~~ French Mint 1 in 500. I propose 1 in 288 instead of 1 in 144 as at present.

The remedy of the English Mint for silver is in fineness 1 in 240 that of the French 1 in 333 I propose 1 in 240 instead of 1 in 144 as at present.

The limit of 1 in 144 ~~[illegible]~~ allowed in the ~~existing~~ law of 1792 was the remedy of the English Mint at that period ~~of its passage~~. It presents too lax a rule even having regard to the penalty on its violation— ~~It is by fair construction applicable to fineness alone~~. ~~But if~~ ~~However it~~ or though it should be ~~[illegible]~~ construed or declared to embrace ~~the sum~~ ~~[illegible]~~ of the deviations both in fineness and weight it would still be available as ~~remedy~~ an allowance for fineness alone provided the weight should prove correct and for weight alone if the fineness should be correct ~~[illegible]~~. ~~The propriety of a distinct~~ specific ~~allowance~~ ~~for each~~ applicable ~~to each~~ is ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~admitted~~. ~~The allowance~~

The allowance I propose of 1 in 288 in fineness for gold and 1 in 240 in fineness for silver is reasonable, the penalty remaining as it is.

The Assayer is perfectly ~~content~~ content to abide by it and will no doubt come ~~[illegible]~~ for [illegible] within the rule; yet under the circumstances a ~~[illegible]~~ more strict limit ~~is~~ would not be equitable.

Your enquiry relates however chiefly to the allowance ~~for~~ in weight. My impression that the ~~[illegible]~~ limit required was more rigorous than might be proper, the severe penalty for casual transgression being considered, was directed rather against the unbending character of that penalty. I did not propose any mitigation of it nor do I now because ~~[illegible]~~ none ~~[illegible]~~ occurs to me that ~~[illegible]~~ is satisfactory, nor did I feel inclined to propose a more liberal ~~[illegible]~~ allowance because on carefully ~~examining~~ discussing the question with the Officer concerned he appeared ~~[illegible]~~ to desire that the limit should be as stated. ~~On~~ On full reconsideration of the case ~~[illegible]~~ however I think it ~~[illegible]~~ due to him to ask leave to modify the allowance as wd. or ~~to~~ to request the Committee to recommend a ~~[illegible]~~ less inflexible form of penalty. ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ my decided opinion. It is that ~~[illegible]~~ the penalty should remain unaltered, and the remedy in wt. be 1 in 500 for gold and 1 in 250 for silver. The substitution of these proportions instead of ~~1 in~~ 1000 for gold and 1 in 500 for silver will place the Officer on ground which is ~~if~~ not too hazardous, ~~[illegible]~~

The allowance ~~[illegible]~~ of ~~at~~ the British Mint may I believe ~~[illegible]~~ is for gold ~~in weight~~ 1 in 480, and for silver 1 in 240. The allowance

at the French Mint in weight is for gold 1 in 500 ~~that~~ for silver ~~1 in 333 for this [illegible] coin~~ differs ~~in~~ for their diff.t coins and on an average ~~[illegible]~~ may be stated at about 1 in 220. ~~That now proposed for the U.S. Mint is a little more rigorous in [illegible] than the English~~. Our remedy in weight is proposed will still appear some what more rigorous ~~than~~ than the English in both gold & silver & ~~[illegible]~~ in silver more rigorous [illegible] than the French. The comparison however can not be ~~[illegible]~~ accurately made as the manner of applying the remedy ~~may~~ is ~~[illegible]~~ decidedly not ~~be~~ the same. ~~[illegible] the remedy~~ With us it is applicable ~~[illegible]~~ periodical test the result of the annual assay alone ~~[illegible]~~ in which ~~[illegible]~~ a few pieces taken promiscuously from the coins delivered may each are ~~[illegible]~~ submitted & reserved in the custody of the treasurer is applied. I am not informed ~~[illegible]~~ as to the allowance of the French Mint ~~[illegible]~~ at once to examination ~~[illegible]~~

~~[illegible]~~ The English mint allowance ~~remedy~~ is ~~[illegible]~~ applied at each single delivery of coins ~~on a smaller~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~of [illegible]~~ — affording therefore a less ~~[illegible]~~ perfect average. They have also ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ a few coins reserved from each delivery for an occasional ~~[illegible]~~ public trial, called the trial of the Pix, corresponding in effect to our annual Assay. The penalty by the regulation of the British Mint, if the coins ~~the [illegible]~~ delivered ~~[illegible]~~ from time to time are not within the remedy, is understood to be their recoinage at the expense of the Officer — the penalty in ~~[illegible]~~ the event of the coins not sustaining the trial of the Pix, it is understood is at the discretion of the King.

I have suggested a relation relating to the delivery of coins to depositors which has not before ~~[illegible]~~ had a place in our Laws but is ~~[illegible]~~ none the less equitable ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ and ~~[illegible]~~ accords with ~~to~~ the ~~[illegible]~~ tenor of previous

~~of [illegible]~~ purity expected in the case ~~of the~~ ~~[illegible] of the~~ more than fiftieth part of one per cent in silver and the more than hundredth part of one per cent in gold under the officer's limits for the amt. of the deficit ~~& the officer is well [illegible] satisfied to be thus extended~~. The extreme ~~deviation~~ deficiency in wt. proposed is the hundredth ~~of~~ part of one per cent for gold & the fiftieth part of one per cent for silver. The average deviation in wt. of the silver coins thus delivered will not be more than 1/12 of a grain in the dollar, and of the gold coins about 1/33 of a grain in the Eagle.

The power of appointing assistant artists in the various depts. of the Mint [illegible] was considered as residing in the heads with the approbation of the President until very recently, save the usual ~~the~~ discretion of appointing the ordinary workmen, such artists being it is ~~presumed~~ [illegible] deemed a higher order of this grade class. — Mr. Eckfeldt now the Chief Coiner of the Mint was appointed under this Construction Asst. Coiner during the Admin.n of Genl. Washington and discharged ~~it~~ an important share of the duties of that Dept. Mr Voight being Chief Coiner until in 1814 on the death of the latter he ~~was~~ became his successor — [illegible] The has ~~fulfilled~~ performed the duties hitherto without an assistant. — [illegible] Under the Directorship of my Predecessor Mr [illegible] Reich [illegible] was ~~appointed Assistant Engraver~~ with the approbation, [illegible] of Mr. Jefferson was appd. Assistant Engraver, which place he retained about eight or ten years, [illegible] the compensation being deemed inadequate — These are the most conspicuous examples [illegible] of ~~the~~ the exercise of this power —

In Augt. 1825 in consequence of a purpose then [illegible] entertained of [illegible] renovating the dies of our Coins of which [illegible] some had been long obsolete, and introducing [illegible] an our Coins [illegible] impression better suited to the improved state of the arts ~~[illegible]~~ or [illegible] Engraving [illegible] the [illegible] Asst. Engr. [illegible]

an application was made to the [illegible] the appt. of an Asst. Engraver
President for his approbation of ~~[illegible]~~ it was. On a
full consideration however he ~~expressed~~ his opinion
that the Law did not authorise the ~~[illegible]~~ specifically for
without a pending appropriation ~~[illegible]~~
that object. This construction of the Law which I presume the true one ~~[illegible]~~ will occasionally involve embarrassing difficulties, in the administration of the affairs of the Mint under certain ~~[illegible]~~ contingencies which may arise at a moment when the [illegible] every measure can not be resorted to

The general policy and indeed [illegible] expediency of conferring the power of making such appointments is found in the fact that a single officer now fills each of the four operative depts. of the Mint & ~~[illegible]~~ the Assayer & Engraver Dept. which involve an aptitude & familiar duties requiring ~~[illegible]~~ possessed by very few and attainable only by much time specially devoted thereto. A case of inability from sickness of any one of these officers, especially the Assayer would arrest the operations of the Mint or leave it dependent on the ~~[illegible]~~ appt. of an Asst. In the offices of Chief Coiner & Melter & Refiner the effect of this would be ~~[illegible]~~ suddenly felt. ~~[illegible]~~ The appt. of an Asst. to share the burden of their duties when sickness advancing age and [illegible] any require it, would ~~[illegible]~~ from its model in a longer possession of their services. ~~[illegible]~~ The alternative seems to be the removal of the meritorious officers & the appointment of a successor. A measure ~~[illegible]~~ of one whose services may have been long faithfully ~~[illegible]~~ devoted to the public.

[illegible] attention has been withdrawn [illegible] would be of

~~[illegible]~~ Another consideration ~~[illegible]~~ Estimating from ~~[illegible]~~ the past periods it is probable that an average coinage during the coming ten years will annually exceed 2,500,000 of dollars, and that we ~~[illegible]~~ shall be liable to a pressure in some years of that period of nearly double that sum. The necessity of an adjunct in each department would be manifest ~~[illegible]~~ with the contrary suppose less pressure on the Mint than that, one of the ~~[illegible]~~ intervening years should take nothing from the power of the present officers. On the occurrence of the events alluded there would be but this ~~[illegible]~~ of the authority proposed. On this general view I will add only that requiring an asst. shall ~~[illegible]~~ the exigency ~~[illegible]~~ arise without having been previously estimated ~~[illegible]~~ the compensation ~~[illegible]~~ & provided for ~~[illegible]~~ would be temporarily paid out of the appropriation for the contingent expenses of the Mint; & should the necessity continue it would form an item in the estimates for the Mint for the following year & be of course submitted to Congress as in similar cases heretofore. It may be proper to remark that the items of expenditure of the Mint coming under the name of incidental expenses ~~the approp. bill~~ are accounted for to the Dept. of the Treasury specifically with the same precision as those items individually designated in the Appropriation Bill.

For the further satisfaction of the Committee I would state explicitly the probability of an appointment being made in ~~[illegible]~~ any of the depts. should the proposed

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in one be adopted — The Assayer Mr. Richardson is ~~[illegible]~~ far advanced in life, — his valuable services have been enjoyed by the Mint since the days of the Presidency of Genl. Washington, he still assiduously attends to them but I feel strongly the necessity of placing at his side an assistant to ~~[illegible]~~ perfect himself by his skill and vigilance ~~[illegible]~~ operations of the Mint from ~~[illegible]~~ embarrassment by any ~~[illegible]~~ privation of the Assayer even of a few days ~~determining these~~ ~~[illegible]~~. This has not yet happened for three days at any one ~~[illegible]~~. On this officer ~~[illegible]~~ we rely almost daily to determine the value of the bullion deposited and every day to determine the standard ~~[illegible]~~ of the ingots prepared for coinage — duties extremely nice and critical & in which an error is visited with much censure — The adoption of the ~~[illegible]~~ principle would be soon followed by the employment of an Assr. who should so far subject himself to the ~~[illegible]~~ of Mr. R. that the latter would assume ~~[illegible]~~ the responsibility for his proceedings. The expense incurred by this appt. would probably for the first year not exceed 600 dollars & subsequently not exceed 800 with the privilege ~~[illegible]~~ of assaying bullion not intended for coinage ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ Their employment offers under the advantages heretofore mentioned of having his services at a low compensation offers an opportunity to improve & perfect his acquaintance with these very delicate processes more rapidly. —

~~[illegible]~~ As to the Department of the Engraver the next most probable resource to the privilege allowed would be ~~[illegible]~~. My wish remains unimpaired to effect ~~[illegible]~~ an improvement in our dies, and ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~. The urgency of this is however not sufficient to demand the appt. of an Ast. ~~Engraver~~ before the requisite estimates would be submitted to ~~[illegible]~~ further no ~~[illegible]~~ appropriation would be asked for at this session. I am not certain that the latter above however appear to me ~~these~~ specially desirable in this view ~~in this inst~~ - can be obtained for much less than the salary of the present Engraver of the Mint $1200 – An appropriation was made last year & the same asked for this year of 600 dollars for this object, ~~[illegible]~~ none of it has been expended ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ I am now satisfied that it will not be accepted – This is the compensation given to Mr Reich as Asst Engraver. –

~~The~~ Are in the disposition of any continuance ~~[illegible]~~ seri- ~~[illegible]~~ ~~of the~~ Mr Eckfeldt the Chief Coiner, or a heavy ~~[illegible]~~ demand for coinage, would alone induce ~~the~~ an assistant in his Dept. – He does not ~~now~~ now wish ~~it~~ ~~[illegible]~~ for an assistant. If one should be appointed his ~~salary~~ compensation would not exceed 800 or 1000 dollars I presume, which is the highest Mr Eckfeldt had in that station. In the department of the Melter & Refiner the contingency is apparently more ~~[illegible]~~ than in either of the others & should an assistant become necessary in a Dept. far less complex than that of the Chief Coiner the ~~[illegible]~~ of his duties would not I think entitle him to more than 600 dollars. – It is not probable that more than two of these Assts ~~[illegible]~~ would be at any one time employed, unless it were ~~the result~~ in consequence of a demand more considerable ~~[illegible]~~ increase of the supply of bullion for coinage. –

X ~~[illegible]~~ I can not more clearly express than ~~above~~ in the above remarks my views ~~[illegible]~~ of the value of the terms proposed to be conferred. It is far from being a pleasant ~~[illegible]~~ duty to [illegible] this subject for consideration and unless ~~[illegible]~~ the reasons for it are ~~[illegible]~~ satisfactory to the Committee as to ~~[illegible]~~ induce ~~[illegible]~~ their cordial acquiescence in the propriety I would prefer that provisions being

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omitted. ~~and~~ I that came in the "expend to the Assayer's Dept. ~~for the better~~ ~~[illegible]~~ under the direction which the provision for employing work-men, ~~[illegible]~~ necessary involve, I should employ an Assistant at the moderate compensation first mentioned which is not equal to the wages of some of our ~~[illegible]~~ best workmen for all a portion of his time or without further privilege or emolument can be obtained. ~~If~~

If it would better accord with the judgment ~~suit the~~ ~~[illegible]~~ of the Committee to omit what relates by name to the Asst. Assayer Com[illegible] and ~~[illegible]~~ make the whole provision ~~to which~~ in the following purport ~~the same attached and the~~: "The Director of the Mint may employ the necessary Clerks with a compensation not exceeding $1700 and such Assistant ~~[illegible]~~ artists workmen and attendants as the business of the Mint shall require" it would, ~~[illegible]~~ be sufficient ~~be [illegible]~~. In a sudden ~~[illegible]~~ emergency a temporary Assistant would "be employed and his compensation ~~[illegible]~~ at the time paid as ~~an~~ an item of "incidental ~~expense~~ ~~item~~ expenditure until the following session of Congress, if necessary when the if the expediency of ~~it~~ ~~the~~ his employment ~~being~~ "manifest continued, required ~~[illegible]~~ the ~~[illegible]~~ compensation would be submitted ~~to~~ to the House & be sanctioned or rejected ~~as the case should~~ as shall seem best.

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If ~~We [illegible] that~~ I trouble the Committee very reluctantly with ~~[illegible]~~ the suggestions ~~[illegible]~~ of measures which require so tedious a detail of reasons reasons to sustain ~~[illegible]~~ their ~~[illegible]~~ propriety ~~and [illegible]~~ but am not conscious of attaching more value to the suggestions than is just ~~due to them. [illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]. An adequate share of confidence~~ ~~The power confided is liable to be unhappily misplaced~~

Among the first objects of ambition is ~~to~~ the discharge in an efficient manner of an important trust ~~with efficiency~~ without unnecessary expenditure. ~~[illegible] to [illegible] appoint the officers alluded to~~ If confided would be received with I trust a full sense of the obligations ~~[illegible]~~ such a trust imposes.

X If the Committee should be satisfied that the power to appoint ~~them~~ such assist.ts ought to ~~be~~ confided ~~[illegible] and [illegible] being done in the specific~~ in either of the manners ~~first~~ proposed, I would respectfully request ~~hope the specific~~ that the specific ~~the~~ compensation ~~[illegible]~~ may ~~[illegible]~~ not be named. It would never exceed the returns ~~[illegible]~~ mentioned in the several cases unless previously sanctioned by Congress, & if not specified ~~[illegible]~~ would be more likely to fall within them.

Yours &c Saml Moore

Hon. John Sergeant
Chairman of Com. on the Mint

1828

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 31, 1828.

PRIVATE

Moore, Samuel,
to
Hon. John Sergeant,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir

I enclose the form of a Bill on tthe subject of the Mint agreeably to your request, and have said in it with some variations as you will observe. It is desirable that the liberty of selceting a new site may be given without presenting the idea of removal and that course to be attained in both forms but the first appears to be most likely to prevent the Mint from entertaining loose views in this respect.

You will advise, however, of the propriety of either of the forms and adopt that onw which will be proper.

You will please inform me when it may be desirable to write to any of the members as to a course.

Yours truly, Samuel Moore

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Be it enacted , etc., etc., - - That for the purpose of farther extending the Mint establishment conformably to the increasing demand for coinage, the Director of the Mint be and he is hereby authorized to procure the requisite lot or lots of ground to erect thereon suitable buildings according to a design thereof which shall have been approved by the President of the United Statea and to procure such additional machinery as may be but adapted to the purpose aforesaid and that the sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated therefor, to be paid, etc., etc.

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Be it enacted, etc., - - -That in order to the farther extension, conformably to the increasing demanf for coinage, of the Mint establishment, the sum of one hundred thousand dollars be and the same is hereby appropriated for the purchase of the requisite lot or lots of ground and the erection thereon of suitable buildings according to a design thereof which shall have been approved by the President of the United States, and for procuring such additional machinery as may be best adapted to the purpose aforesaid and that the sum of this appropriation be paid, etc.

Less than 110 or 120,000 dollars would not perhaps be sufficient if the New York machinery is purchased, but I presume the deficiency would be obtained next session which would be in time.

1828

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Pa., Dec . 10, 1828.

Moore, Samuel, Director,
to
Hon. John Sergeant,
Washington, D.c.

The inadequacy of the present accommodations of the Mint has become so obvious, and the unsightly aspect which the buildings present is little suitable to its character as a National Institution, that I must ask leave to consult you on the expediency of bringing the subject before Congress. Many members of both Houses have, on visiting us, expressed their surprise and solicitude on the subject, and I persuade myself that a general wish would be evinced to place the Mint on a less discreditable establishment. Unless therefore, the present short session should seem to you an unpropitious period, will you please to take the measures relative thereto, which may seem best.

Something more than a simple appropriation being requisite, you will judge whether a special Bill through the formality of a Committee will not be indespensable. Authority to purchase a suitable lot in a new position, or to enlarge the present one by the purchase of adjacent ground, as either might be found most judicious, would be necessary, as also to sell the buildings and lots now occupied, if the Mint should be erected on a new site.

The sum required to accomplish the object, in such manner as to afford all proper facilities for the accommodation of the Mint, would probably be not less than one hundred thousand dollars. Space and apartments adapted to the introduction of that system of machinery in which the coinage is effected by steam power ought to be considered as APART as to a Mint establishment. The structure should be very substantial, devised and executed with studious care, and present an exterior neat and not inelegant.

I touch only cursorily on this topic now, but will go more into detail if deemed necessary, when the direction the subject will take is ascertained. The general facts are familiar and obvious to you. There are points less obvious which can be given in ample illustration of the privations and impediments by which the Mint is now embarrassed.

Your attention to the welfare of the Mint last session has marked an epoch in its history. I hope you may have the pleasure of promoting its prosperity still farther through the liberality of the present Congress in relation to this Institution.

Yours truly,

SAMUELMOORE

1828
Moore, Samuel, Director,
to
Hon. John Sergeant,
Washington, D.C.

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 23, 1828.

My Dear Sir

I forward by this mail a communication for the Committee, presuming that it embraces the considerations of the moment in sufficient detail.

Please support anything that you may think I ought farther to do. As to the expense, there can be little certainty until the plan of the building is more CLEARLY? , settled and this will depend in some measure on the lot - 100,00 or 120,000 it appears to me might REACH the whole object INCLUDING new machinery but not including perhaps the lot - - I have no strong preference for the present site and think it probable another more pleasing may be improved at about the same expense.

The execution of the plan will devolve, I presume, of course, on the Director of the Mint - you will judge whether this is to be in any way expressed in the bill.

Nothing has been seen of certain provisions recommended last session and not acted on. I incline to
just now, but the main course.

In a new Mint as created, the commission of it, operations would afford a fit occasion for assembling all the existing provisions and a high art and adding such others as chosen, be calculated to perfect the organization of the institution.

Yours truly,

SAMUEL MOORE

1828
Moore, Samuel, Director,
to
Hon. John Sergeant,
Chairman, Committee on the Mint,
Washington, D.C.

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 22, 1828

Your letter of the 18th requesting on behalf of the Comm. on the Mint, information respecting its condition and the means expedient for its support and extension, was received late on Saturday.

A communication will be accordingly forwarded by the Mail to-morrow.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

SAMUEL MOORE.

Washington Dec. 15. 1828

Dear Sir;

In the hurry of closing my letter to day, being engaged in a debate, I omitted to give you a copy of the resolution about the Mint. It was as follows,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to make enquiry into the expediency of making further provision for the support and extension of the Mint establishment.

It is very general, you will perceive, and of course, very comprehensive,

Yr. very truly

John Sergeant

Samuel Moore Esqr.

To Mr Sergeant
Feb. 7. 1828

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Mint of the U. States
Feb. 7. 1828

Dear Sir

Yours of the 4th was recd last evening enclosing the inventory of ~~Mint~~ Machinery to which it refers — Mr Biddle had previously handed me a copy of the same ~~with a request that I would enable him to apply to the [illegible] [illegible]~~ apply to the gentleman from whom he recd it which has been ~~done~~ ~~[illegible]~~ to his ~~[illegible]~~ requesting my opinion on the subject which has been accordingly communicated ~~[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and it to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]~~

~~[illegible]~~ The subject of employing steam power in coining ~~[illegible]~~ with the appropriate corresponding Machinery ~~[illegible]~~ has occupied my mind ~~[illegible]~~ very much within ~~during~~ the last year — and a correspondence in relation to it took place ~~[illegible]~~ with Mr. Boulton the constructor ~~&c~~ of the Machinery in question for the purpose of obtaining the data on which the subject could be properly submitted to the consideration of ~~the~~ Congress ~~[illegible]~~ when the circumstances should invite the measure ~~[illegible]~~ ~~to the~~ The ~~[illegible]~~ exhibitions ~~[illegible] by [illegible] [illegible] that [illegible] supply~~ of ~~Bullion~~ is. I think reasonable, that the introduction of such Machinery ~~[illegible]~~ in our Mint ~~[illegible]~~ will be ~~[illegible]~~ found expedient ~~[illegible]~~ Our present accommodations however do not admit of the ~~[illegible] [illegible]~~ system of ~~the~~ coinage by steam power with its ~~[illegible]~~ requisite limitations independent the communications: And the ~~[illegible] of having them officially~~

extended ~~and~~ can not be ~~[illegible]~~ well entertained. While the continuance of the Mint here ~~[illegible]~~ is ensured only from time to time, in the unlimited ~~[illegible]~~ continuance of the Mint here has been hitherto extended does not encourage the hope ~~that~~ of their being adequately enlarged. The adoption by Congress of the provisions ~~[illegible]~~ of the bill brought forward by the Committee on the Mint ~~[illegible]~~ would I presume be ~~[illegible]~~ considered as justifying either at this session or the next a suitable appropriation for that object, and with a view to so desirable a result ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible] at this time [illegible]~~ its passage would be fortunate on public considerations.

The time is ~~[illegible]~~ when the Bill in question will be decided on that I ~~[illegible]~~ defer at present ~~[illegible]~~ making any special enquiry as to the price at which the Machinery ~~[illegible]~~ would probably be sold and whether its component parts would be separately sold. If the proprietor possesses such a draft ~~[illegible]~~ of this ~~[illegible]~~ Machinery as ~~[illegible]~~ Mr. Patton informs me he usually furnishes, I ~~[illegible]~~ would be pleased in the mean time to see a copy of it, if he will favour me with one through Mr. Cumberlege — it would be instructive as to the extent of the space to be occupied ~~by the Machinery~~ a point of some moment. ~~I would that~~ ~~I would ask you to [illegible] request to Mr Cumberlege~~ ~~and [illegible]~~ I should be pleased ~~[illegible]~~ if ~~[illegible]~~ Mr Cumberlege would visit the Mint on his return ~~from Washington~~ home & will express to him this wish before the end of the session. I had the pleasure meeting ~~[illegible] at Washington~~ Mr. C. at Washington a few ~~[illegible]~~ well persuaded that he would. I shall with much pleasure attend to the further wishes of Mr Cumberlege for any ~~information~~ —

Yours &c Saml Moore

Hon. John Sergeant

Mint of the U States
~~[illegible]~~ Feb. 18. 1828

My dear Sir

It will probably be so near the 4th of March, when the house [illegible] before the ~~Mint~~ Bill can be reached, that it may be ~~particularly~~ desirable to ~~avoid what~~ omit what is not of special value, ~~and~~ as the provision regarding the ~~remedy~~ amount is not of ~~that description~~ immediate moment, I have omit moving ~~any amend~~ the contemplated amending of ~~to that effect~~ if it will be at all liable to invite discussion unfavourable to the Bill. It would be acceptable to the Mint, but is not essential, at least with the present officers. In my communication of the 24th ult.° I gave a modification ~~of~~ to my first suggestion on that head — then make the provision conformable to that modification, if it should be introduced, and let it come in as a 4th section.

If the Bill, as ~~drawn up~~ reported, should be adopted, you will have secured very important results. Other things can be disposed hereafter. In a few lines on the 28th. I mentioned two small alterations, which, as that letter may not be at hand, I here repeat. In the 6th sectn 4th line say "Assistants & Workmen" — And in the 7th sectn 2d & 3d line say "for the Director to cause to be recd and assayed". The first is of more value than the last, but ~~neither of them of such moment~~ it is not of such importance as to justify risking any thing for ~~them~~ it

Your speech on the Retrenchment Resolutions ~~Resolution~~ having done much for the Mint and the Bank matter. It will I trust seem to you, on topics where there can be deliberate judgement, great influence ~~with~~ the House. — If the Mint should not now be continued here, in the terms proposed, I can look to such an issue with no hope hereafter.

I am aware of your heavy and perplexing cares, and would have spared you some of ~~thy~~ late tedious ~~long~~ letters ~~heretofore~~, but for your request that I would write very fully — ~~and~~ On this same consideration ~~account~~, I have abstained from any communication for some time past.

Yours very truly

Saml. Moore

Honl. John Sergeant.

P.S. An enquiry has been addressed to Mr. Eckfeldt, he informs me, from Washington, whether the power to appoint assistants has any aspect unfavorable to the present officers. It is perhaps proper for me to say explicitly, to you, that it had been uniformly supposed by the Officers of the Mint that the Director has always possessed this power. — My first comn. to the Committee, embracing all my suggestions and the reasons for them, was communicated to Mr. Eckfeldt & Mr. Cloud, with whom the subject has often been a topic of conversation — all my subsequent remarks in explanation have been read to them. The general power to appoint assistants as well as workmen is a proper trust to be reposed in the Director — He would be very unworthy of the much higher trusts reposed in him if he would be capable of abusing this — I am not aware of any objection to either of the provisions suggested, on the part of any Officer of the Mint.

S.M.

To whom it may concern, I Saml Moore Director of the Mint of the U. States do hereby ~~[illegible]~~ declare that Adam Eckfeldt Chief Coiner ~~of the~~ said Mint, ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ conformably to my desire and request, purchased of Henry York and others, for the sum of One Thousand Dollars, the Lot of ground situated on Prune alley, now and for many years in the occupancy of the Mint, and important for the accommodation thereof, in order that the same might be held subject to the option of the United States to secure ~~[illegible]~~ it by purchase for the public use, subject to the following conditions, viz, ~~[illegible]~~ that the money so paid by the said Adam Eckfeldt, with all the expenses necessarily attending the ~~said~~ purchase of said Lot, ~~[illegible]~~ shall be repaid to him with Interest, so soon as he shall convey the same to the United States; and that if the ~~[illegible]~~ United States ~~[illegible]~~ shall decline to become the purchaser thereof ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ then ~~[illegible]~~ the same may ~~[illegible]~~ be sold by the said Adam Eckfeldt, in such manner as shall be deemed will ~~[illegible]~~ calculated to obtain its full value, and the loss, if any sustained in the transaction, shall be refunded to him the said Adam Eckfeldt, out of the moneys appropriated for the contingent expenses of the Mint ~~[illegible]~~ or from such other appropriation as may be specially made ~~[illegible]~~ for that purpose. Witness my hand this [illegible] day of Dec. ~~[illegible]~~ 1828 Saml Moore

1828 United States Mint, Dec. 3, 1828.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN,

I, Samuel Moore, Director of the Mint of the Unites States, do hereby declare, that Adam Eckfeldt, Chief Coiner of said Mint, conformably to my desire and request, purchased of Mary Yost and others, for the sum of One Thousand dollars, the Lot of ground situated on Bone Alley, now and for many years in the occupancy of the Mint, and important for the accomodation thereof, in order that the same might be held subject to the option of the United States to secure it by purchase for the public use, subject to the following conditions, viz: that the money so paid by the said Adam Eckfeldt, with all the expenses necessarily attending the purchase of said lot, shall be repaid to him with Interest, so soon as he shall convey the same to the United States, and that if the United States shall decline to become the purchaser thereof, then the same may be sold by the said Adam Eckfeldt, in such manner as shall be deemed well calculated to obtain the full value, and the loss, if any, sustained in the transaction shall be refunded to the said Adam Eckfeldt, out of the monies appropriated for the contingent expenses of the Mint, or from such other appropriations as may be specially made for that purpose.

Witness my hand this 3rd day of December, 1828.

SAMUEL MOORE.

Mint of the U. States
Philad.a Dec. 10. 1828

Dear Sir

The inadequacy of the present accommodations of the Mint has become so obvious & the unsightly aspect which the building at present is so ~~[illegible]~~ little suitable to the character of a National Institution that I must ask leave to consult you on the expediency of bringing the subject before Congress. Many Members of both Houses have on visiting us expressed their surprise and solicitude on the subject, & I persuade myself that a general wish would be evinced to place the Mint on a less discreditable establishment. Unless therefore the present short session should seem to you an unpropitious period, will you please to take the measures relative thereto which may seem best.

Something more than a simple appropriation being requisite, you will judge whether a special bill through the formality of a Committee will not be indispensable. Authority to purchase a suitable lot in a new position or to enlarge the present one by the purchase of adjacent ground, as either might be found most judicious, would be necessary, as also to sell the buildings & lots ~~[illegible]~~ now occupied, if the Mint should be erected on a new site.

The sum required to accomplish the object, in such manner as to afford all proper facilities for the accommodation of the Mint, would probably be not less than one hundred thousand dollars. Space and apartments adapted to the introduction of that system of Machinery in which the coinage is effected by steam power ought [illegible] to be considered as peculiar to a Mint Establishment. The Structure should be very substantial, devised and executed with studious care, and present an exterior neat and not inelegant.

I touch only cursorily on this topic now, but will [illegible] detail of dimensions company, when the [illegible] time the subject will take [illegible] is ascertained. The general facts are familiar and obvious to you. There are points less obvious which can be given in ample illustration of the privations & impediments by which the [illegible] is now embarrassed.

Your attention to the welfare of the Mint last session has marked an epoch in its history. I hope you may have the pleasure of promoting its prosperity still further through the liberality of the present Congress in relation to this Institution.

Yours truly

Saml Moore

Hon. John Sergeant.
Washington

To
Jno. Sergeant.
Decr. 10. 1828

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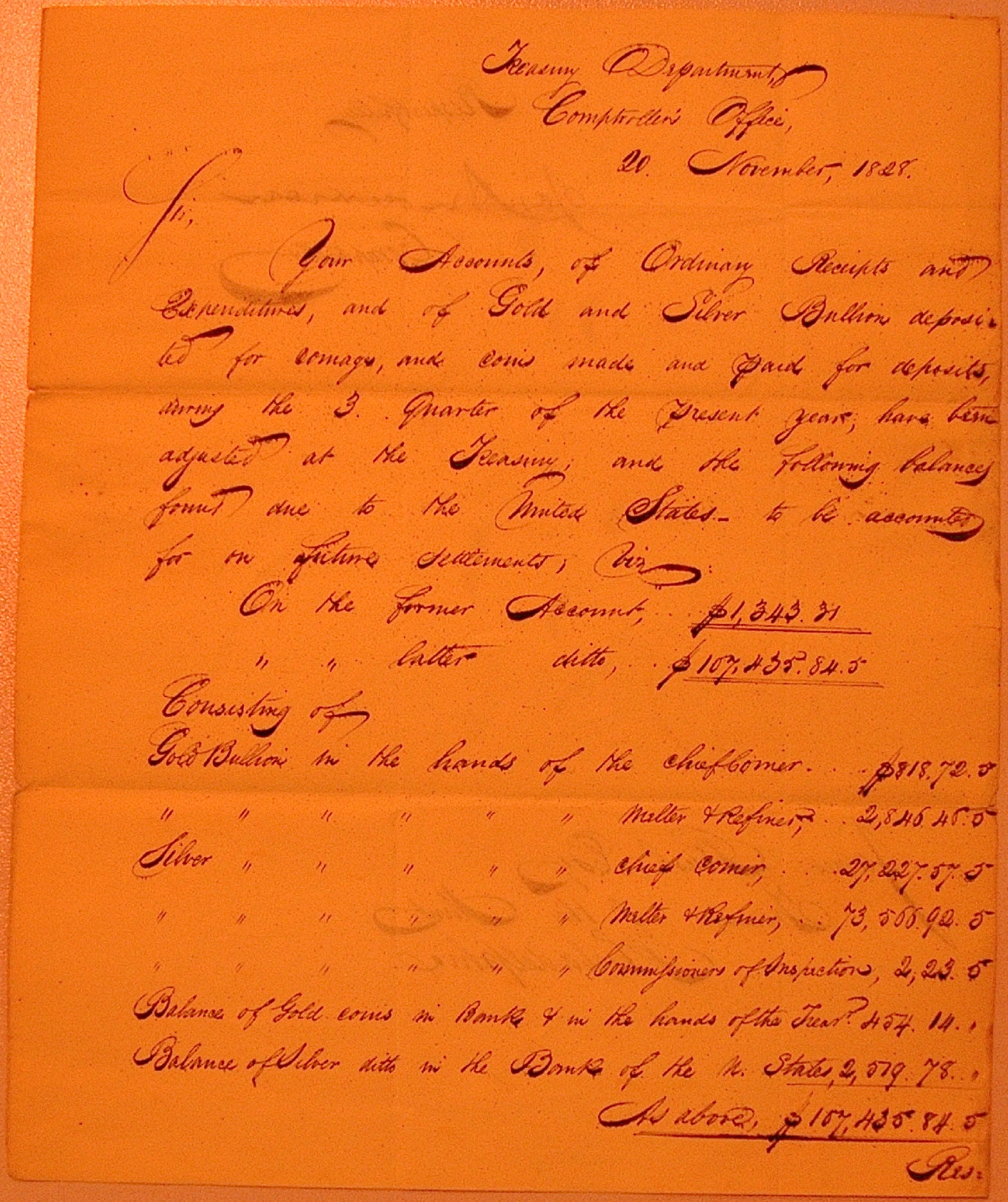


Treasury Department,
Comptroller's Office,
20. November, 1828.

Sir,

Your Accounts, of Ordinary Receipts and Expenditures, and of Gold and Silver Bullion deposited for coinage, and coins made and paid for deposits, during the 3. Quarter of the present year, have been adjusted at the Treasury; and the following balances found due to the United States - to be accounted for on future settlements, viz:

On the former Account,	$1,343.71
" " latter ditto,	$107,435.84.5

Consisting of

Gold Bullion in the hands of the chief Coiner.	$818.72.5
" " " " " " Melter & Refiner,	2,846.46.5
Silver " " " " " chief Coiner,	27,227.57.5
" " " " " " Melter & Refiner,	73,506.92.5
" " " " " " Commissioners of Inspection,	2,23.5
Balance of Gold coins in Bank & in the hands of the Treasr.	454.14.
Balance of Silver ditto in the Bank of the U. States,	2,579.78.
As above,	$107,435.84.5

Res:

Respectfully

Jo Anderson
Comptroller

James Rush, Esq
Treasurer of the Mint
Philadelphia

Mint of the United States
Philad^a Nov^r 25. 1828

Sir

Presuming that it would be agreeable to your wishes that the Account ~~of Mr Eckfeldt~~ with the Office of Indian Affairs for the execution of the ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ Medals, ~~[illegible]~~ the President should be closed before the expiration of the present year Mr. Eckfeldt has made out his account ~~[illegible]~~ is herewith enclosed to you ~~[illegible]~~ on his behalf. therefore I think ~~[illegible]~~.

The Medals you will observe are charged at the intrinsic value of the fine silver they contain. The other items compared with ~~[illegible]~~ those in former accounts ~~[illegible]~~ and will no doubt be considered ~~[illegible]~~ reasonable for the service rendered — — — …

Tho^s L. McKenney
Office of Ind. Affs.
War Dep^t.

Yours very respectfully
Sam^l Moore

Office of Indian Affairs

To Adam Eckfeldt

To 231 Medals by order of T. L. McKenney delivered from the 10th Decr. 1825 to 18th Jan. 1828 weighing in fine silver 886 Oz. 16 dwt. 12 grs. equal to 993 Oz. 14 dwt. 9 grs. Standard - Value	$ 1146.60
Preparing, ringing, &c 95 large Medals @ $2.25 =	213.75
Do Do 136 ~~[illegible]~~ second & third size 1.25 =	170.00
Charge for polishing dies &c. - -	20.00
Boxes for packing the Medals -	5.00
	$ 1555.35

Mint of the United States
Philada. Novr. 15. 1828

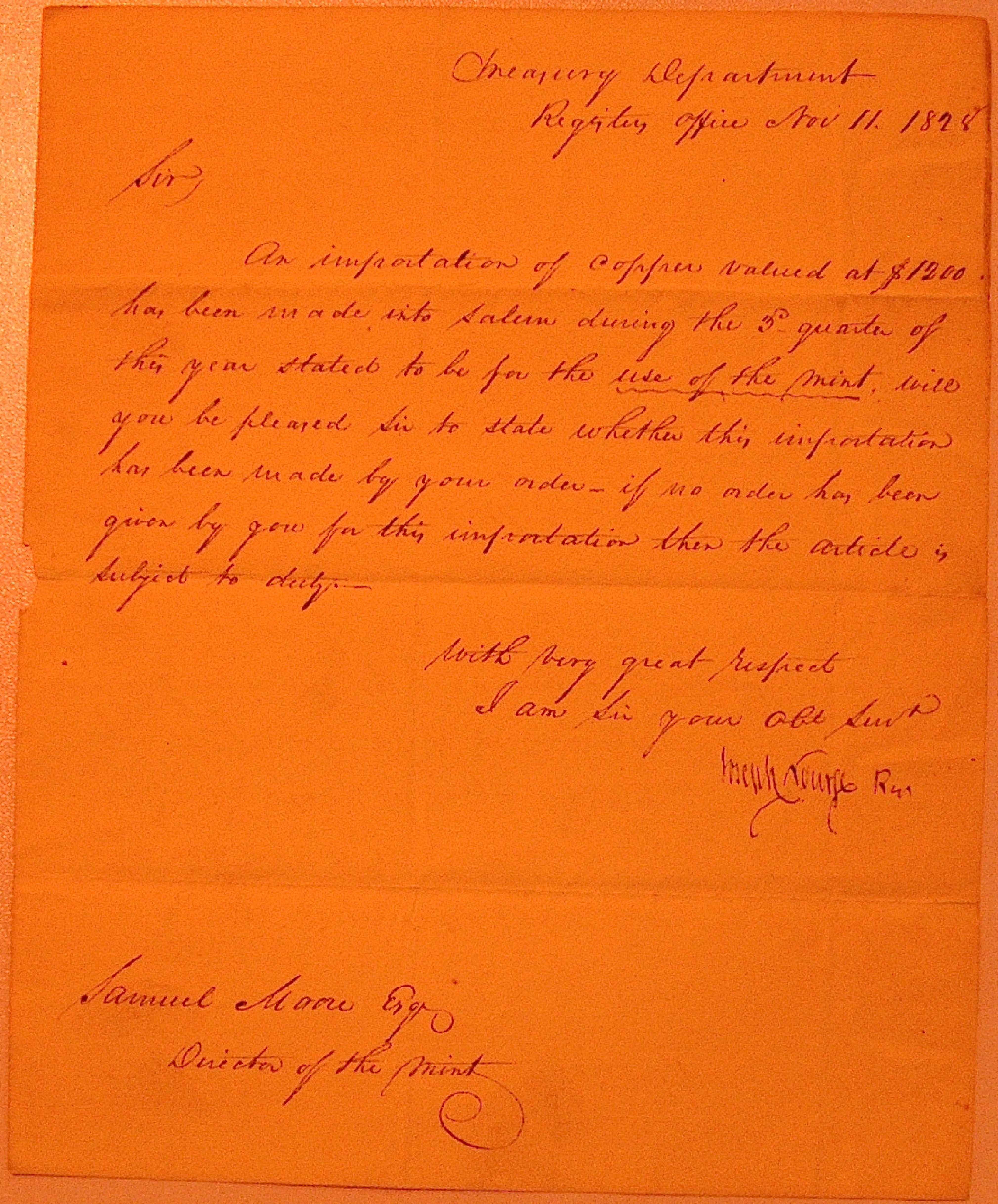
Sir

The Estimate of the expenses of the Mint for the first Quarter of the Year 1830 is this day forwarded to the Dept. this day conformably to your request,

Will you please sir to do me the favour to send me a copy of the ~~gen.~~ estimate of the expenses for the year 1829 forwarded ~~under date of Octr.~~ the 4th ult. ~~My I has been~~ The copy which should be in my possession has been accidentally misplaced, and after a careful search I fear will not be found — —

I am, very respectfully
Your obed. Sert.
Saml. Moore

Joseph Nourse Esqr.
Register of the Treasury



Treasury Department
Registers Office Nov 11. 1828

Sir,

An importation of Copper valued at $1200. has been made into Salem during the 3d quarter of this year stated to be for the use of the mint, will you be pleased Sir to state whether this importation has been made by your order – if no order has been given by you for this importation then the article is subject to duty –

With very great respect
I am Sir your obt Servt
Joseph Nourse Rr

Samuel Moore Esqr
Director of the Mint

Mint of the United States
Philada Novr 15. 1828

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 11th. instant recd yesterday relative to an importation of copper made into Salem Salem during the 3d quarter of this year, and reported as being for the use of the Mint I have to state that ~~the~~ importation in question was not made by my order ~~of copper to have made into Salem, or any~~ not by any ~~time by~~ authority from this Institution. All the importation of copper, ordered for the use of the Mint during a series of years have been made directly from ~~[illegible]~~ Liverpool into the Port of Philada. —

very respectfully
Your obedt Servt

Saml Moore

Joseph Nourse Esqr

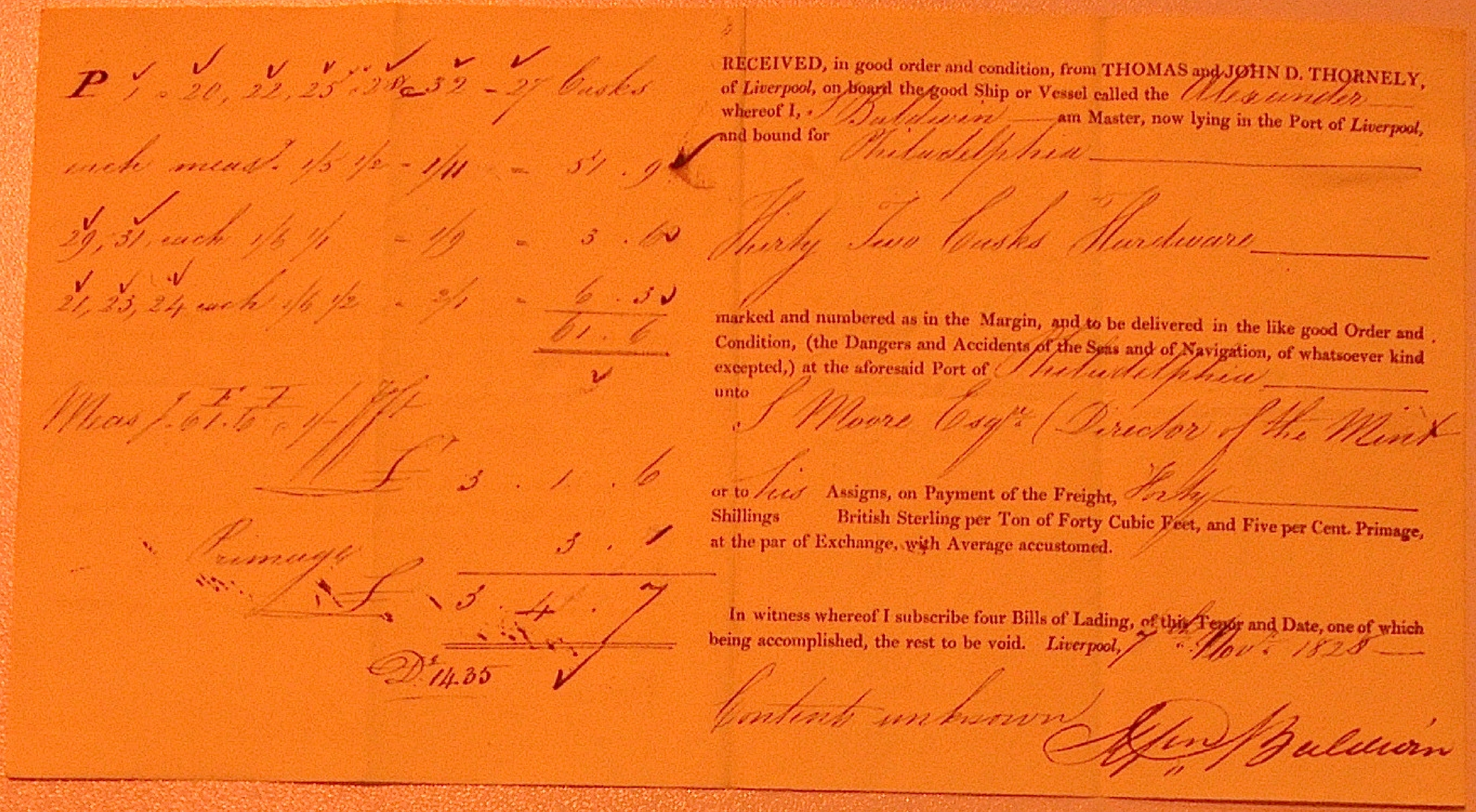
Register of the Treasury

Mint of the U. States
Philad.a Nov.r 10. 1828

Sir

Having deferred the execution of your order for cents for the Bank of Michigan as long as I presumed the season would justify, in expectation of further advice in reply to my letter ~~[illegible]~~ of the 3d. ulto. addressed to you, respecting a proportion of half cents, I applied under date of the 6th. inst. to Messrs Ward & Co. for the ~~requisite~~ deposite of funds ~~to~~ requisite to complete it. Their answer dated the 6th is now before me, expressing an apprehension that "the necessary time to get the ~~[illegible]~~ cents to Detroit will be greater than the season will allow, previous to the interruption by ice". Their omission to make the deposite, under these circumstances, is I presume judicious, and will have your approbation. The box of cents, ($2500) ~~[illegible]~~ forwarded ~~[illegible]~~ from this on the 10th ult.o ~~[illegible]~~ will, it is hoped, ~~[illegible]~~ ~~without~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~delay~~ be found to have gone forward in good time, and ~~it~~ may be sufficient for your immediate wants. Your further requests will meet prompt attention when the ordinary facilities for transportation are again available.

Yours respectfully Saml Moore



P 1 - 20, 22, 25 - 28 - 32 - 27 Casks
each meas.t 1/5 1/2 - 1/11 - 51.9
29, 31 each 1/6 1/4 - 1/9 - 3.6
21, 23, 24 each 1/6 1/2 - 2/1 - 6.3
61.6

Meas. 61.6 F 7 4/ff
£ 3.1.6
Primage 3.1
£ 3.4.7
D.s 14.35

RECEIVED, in good order and condition, from THOMAS and JOHN D. THORNELY, of *Liverpool*, on board the good Ship or Vessel called the Alexander whereof I, S. Baldwin am Master, now lying in the Port of *Liverpool*, and bound for Philadelphia

Thirty Two Casks Hardware

marked and numbered as in the Margin, and to be delivered in the like good Order and Condition, (the Dangers and Accidents of the Seas and of Navigation, of whatsoever kind excepted,) at the aforesaid Port of Philadelphia unto

S Moore Esqr. (Director of the Mint

or to his Assigns, on Payment of the Freight, Forty Shillings British Sterling per Ton of Forty Cubic Feet, and Five per Cent. Primage, at the par of Exchange, with Average accustomed.

In witness whereof I subscribe four Bills of Lading, of this Tenor and Date, one of which being accomplished, the rest to be void. *Liverpool*, 7th Nov. 1828

Contents unknown

Stephen Baldwin

3/228 303

Birmingham 4th Decr 1828

Invoice of 32 Casks Copper Planchets, purchas'd on account and risk of Saml Moore Esqr Director of the Mint, Philadelphia, and consigned to the care of Messrs T & J D Thornely, Liverpool

P
1 to 32

	Gross Weight Cwt qrs lbs oz	Tare lb oz	Nett Cwt qrs lb
1	3. 1. 11. -	11. -	3. 1. -
2	3. 1. 11. 8	11. 8	3. 1. -
3	3. 1. 12. -	11 -	3. 1. 1
4	3. 1. 11. 4	11. 4	3. 1. -
5	3 - 11. -	11. -	3 - -
6	3 - 18. -	11. -	3 - 7
7	3 - 11. -	11. -	3 - -
8	3 - 11. -	11. -	3 - -
9	3 - 25. -	11. -	3. - 14
10	3. 2. 10. 12	10. 12	3. 2. -
11	3. 1. 10. 12	10. 12	3. 1. -
12	3. 1 10. 12	10. 12	3. 1. -
13	3. 1. 4. 4	11. 4	3 - 21
14	3. 1. 4. 4	11. 4	3. - 21
15	3. 1. 10. 8	10. 8	3. 1. -
16	3 - 25. 4	11. 4	3. - 14
17	3. 1. 4. 4	11. 4	3. - 21
18	3. - 24. 12	10. 12	3. - 14
19	3 - 25. -	11. -	3 - 14
20	3 - 10. 8	10. 8	3 - -
21	3 - 17. 12	10. 12	3 - 7
22	3. 1. 11. 12	10. 12	3. 1. 1
23	3. 1. 5. 4	11. 4	3. - 22
24	3. 1. 11. 4	11. 4	3. 1. -
25	3. 1. 10. 8	10. 8	3. 1. 0
26	3. 1. 11. 12	10. 12	3. 1. 1
27	3. 1. 10. 8	10. 8	3. 1. -
			85. 3. 18

Continued forwd.

Brought forward 85 . 3 . 15

	Cwt qr lb oz	lb oz	cwt qr lb
28	3 . – 20 . 8	10 . 8	3 . – 10
29	3 . 1 . 13 . 8	13 . 8	3 . 1 . –
30	3 . 1 . 11 . 8	11 . 8	3 . 1 . –
31	3 . 1 . 13 . –	13 . –	3 . 1 . –
32	3 . 1 . 10 . 8	10 . 8	3 . 1 . –
			102 . – 4

102 . – 4 11428 lb @ 15½ 738 1 2

Deduct £5 p. Ton for reduction in price of Copper 25 10 – 712 11 –

32 Casks 3/9 – 120/ Freight to Liverpool 20/ – – – – 16 4 –

728 15 –

Brought forward amount of Casks 1 @ 32 728 15 –

Insurance on £758.0.0 @ 35/%	13	5	4			
Export Duty on £728.0.0 @ ½%	3	12	10			
Policy 6/- Bills of Lading 2/6	2	11	6			
Cartage Porterage & Storage	4	11	6			
Dock & Town Dues	–	7	6			
Commission forwarding 8/8 Postages 4/	4	12	8	29	12	4
£				758	7	4

~~at~~ par Drs 3,370.52

Errors Excepted

Wm Harold & Son

Birmingham 4th November 1828

Dr Moore

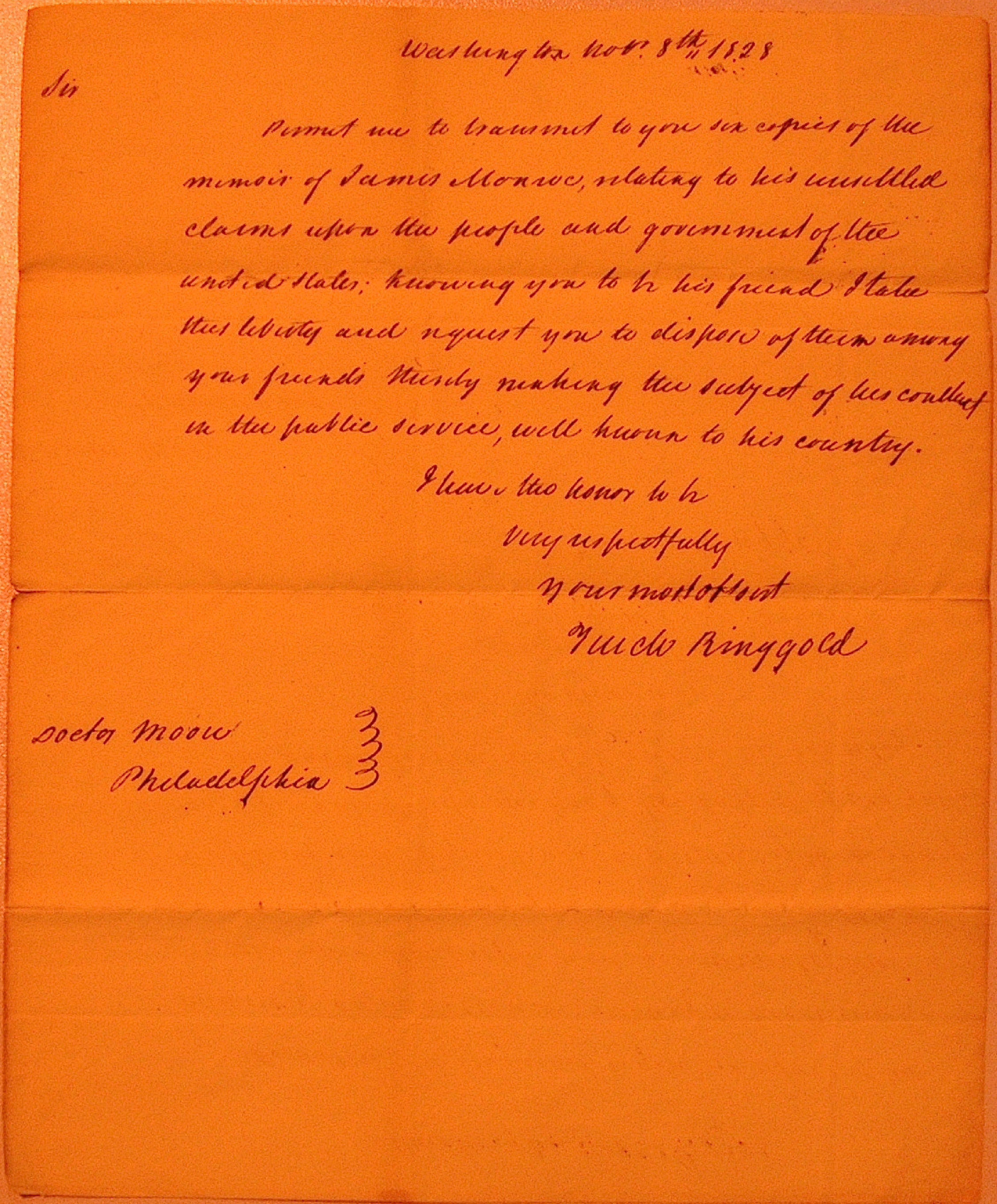
Sir

We have the pleasure to hand an Invoice of the whole of yo[illegible]teemed order for Copper Planchetts and feel confident on a clo[illegible] ins[illegible] you will find all of them of first rate quality, as we have give[illegible]y minute attention ourselves to the whole of the manufacture. Owing [illegible] a serious advance in the price of Copper we cannot send at so low a rate as the last, but still we are sure they are full as low as any house could furnish you, & at this time we could not execute an order under an advance of 2£ p ton.

We shall hope to be favoured with your future commands & remain Sir

Your Obliged & Obedient Servants

Wm Harold & Son



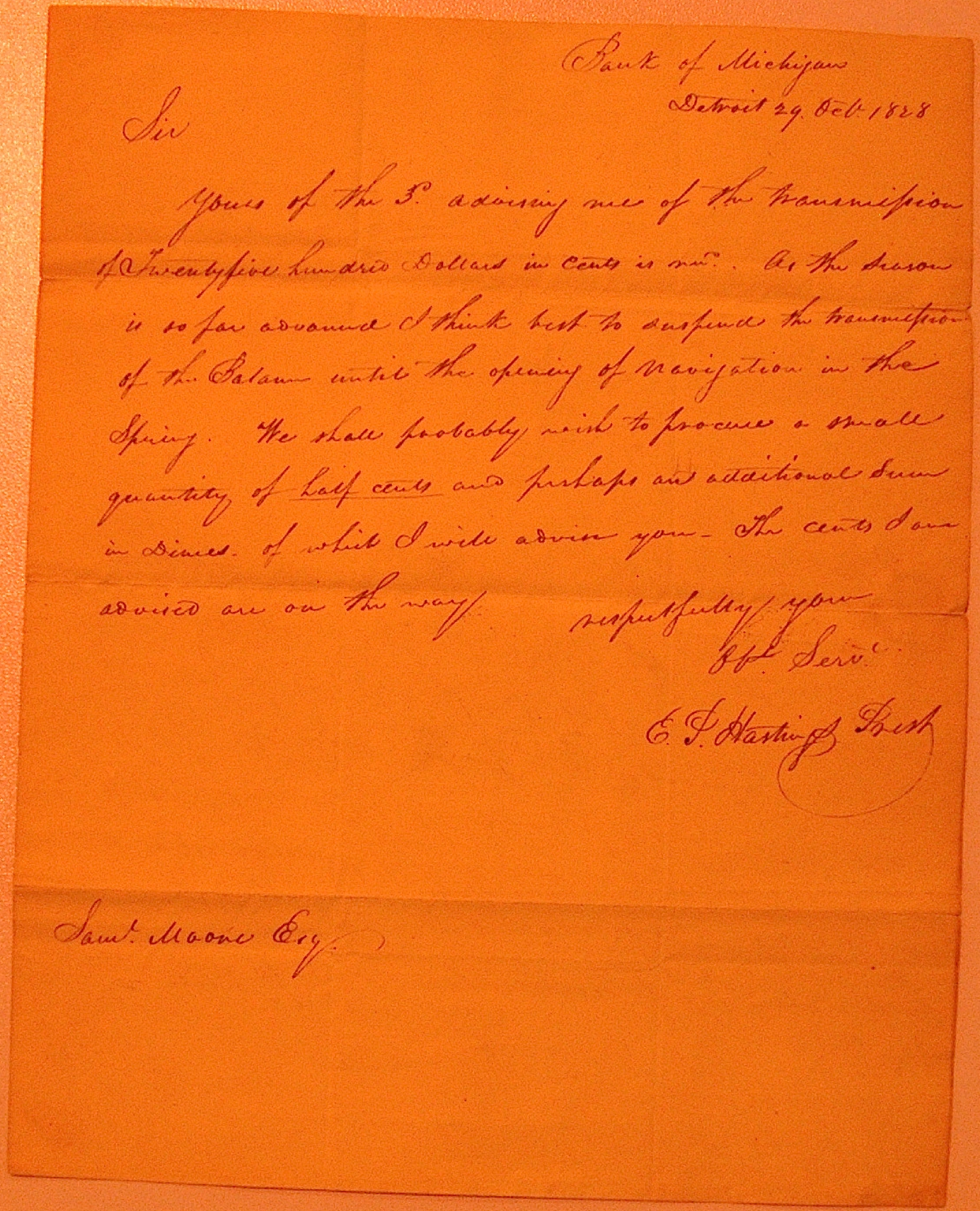
Washington Nov: 8th 1828

Sir

Permit me to transmit to you six copies of the memoir of James Monroe, relating to his unsettled claims upon the people and government of the united States; knowing you to be his friend I take this liberty and request you to dispose of them among your friends thereby making the subject of his conduct in the public service, well known to his country.

I have the honor to be
very respectfully
Your most obt Servt
Tench Ringgold

Doctor Moore
Philadelphia



Bank of Michigan
Detroit 29. Oct. 1828

Sir

Yours of the 3d advising me of the transmission of Twentyfive hundred Dollars in Cents is recd. As the season is so far advanced I think best to suspend the transmission of the Balance until the opening of Navigation in the Spring. We shall probably wish to procure a small quantity of half cents and perhaps an additional sum in Dimes. of which I will advise you. The cents I am advised are on the way.

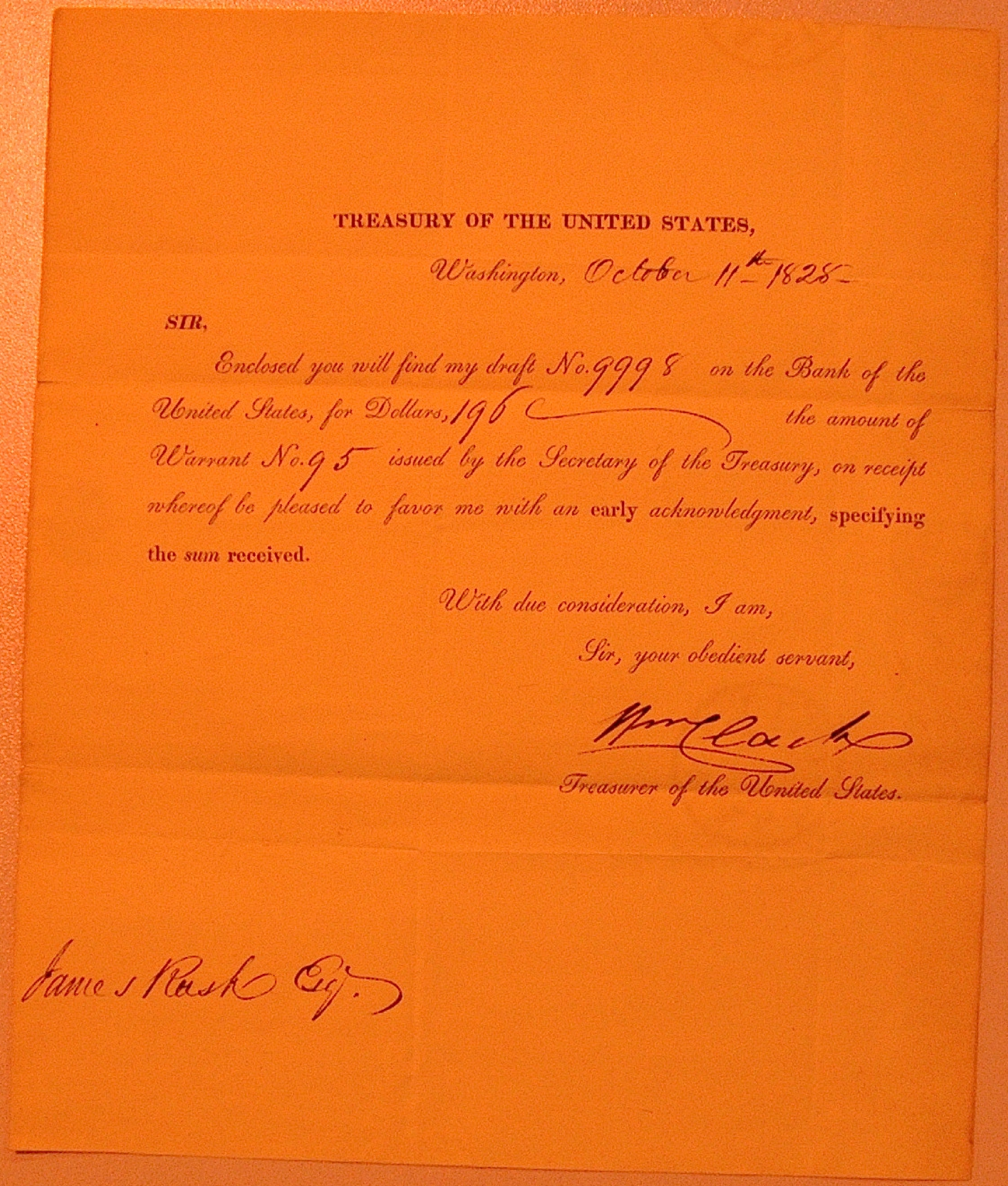
respectfully your
Obt. Servt.
E. P. Hastings Presdt.

Saml. Moore Esq.

"The above deposite, consisting of silver containing a portion of gold has been held subject to the determination of the party interested therein either to have it coined or to withdraw it, and is now delivered to his order without coinage.

Saml Moore

The warrant was dated Oct. 27. 1828 at which date the deposit was withdrawn
the deposite had been made Feby the 14th.



TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, October 11th 1828

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 9998 *on the Bank of the United States, for Dollars,* 196 *the amount of Warrant No.* 95 *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an early acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

Wm Clark

Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esq.

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, Octr 4th 1828.

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 9976. *on the Bank of the United States, for dollars,* 2400 ——— *the amount of Warrant No.* 1. — *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an* early *acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

Wm Clark

Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esqr.

Mint of the United States
Philad.a Oct.r 3d 1828

Sir

Yours ~~of the~~ dated Geneva the 27th ulto requesting a supply of five thousand dollars in cents for the Bank of Michigan, was rec.d yesterday. Considering it probable that you would prefer some part of this supply in half cents, in case of their being obtainable, only half the am.t ordered will be sent until further advice. Accordingly I have requested your agents Cox, Ward & Co. to deposite that sum in the Branch Bank to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, ~~in the Branch Bank at the~~ and forward a certificate thereof to the Treasurer of the Mint, James Rush; on rec.t of which the sum of twenty five hundred dollars in cents will be immediately forwarded to the address of the Bank of Michigan, and will be delivered at Detroit at the expense and risk of the United States.

Please inform me what part if any of the remaining half, will be preferred in half cents. On learning your wishes in this respect I will request your agents in New York to effect the further requisite deposite, and the balance of your order will be thereupon forwarded.

Very respectfully
Yours &c
Saml Moore
Director

E. P. Hastings Esqr
Presd.t Bk. of Michigan
Detroit

Treasury Department,
Comptroller's Office,
30. September, 1828.

Sir,

Your account of Ordinary Receipts and Expenditures, during the 2. Quarter of 1828, has been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $747.82 found due to the United States; corresponding with the balance stated in your account rendered, and which remains to be accounted for on a future settlement.

Respectfully,

Jos. Anderson

Comptroller.

James Rush, Esq.
Treasurer of the Mint.

Estimate of the expense of constructing a system of Machinery for coining similar to that in use at the Mint of the United States —

One Steam Engine, of the power of ten to twelve horses . .	3000. —
Patterns and castings for the wheels shafts &c including cogwork	2500 —
Three sets of Laminating Rollers with the ~~requisite~~ appendages . . .	1500. —
One Drawing or equalizing Machine —	250.
Dollars.	7250 —

The above estimate may be considered as covering the cost of the above construction of Machinery — the work being executed in the best manner. If a draft be desirable it could be obtained for a few dollars say ten to fifteen.

Estimate of the probable Expense of Machinery for Coinsing, semilar to that which is in Use at the United States Mint

Steam Engine &c	$ 3,000
Castings, patterns, Coging &c	2,500
3 Sets of Laminateing Rollers	1,500
Drawing or Equatising Machine	250

Sir Geneva 27th Sept. 1828

I am desirous of procuring a quantity of cents for our Institution and if the arrangement lately existing of delivering them without charge of transpor[illegible]tion to any portion of the U.S. yet continues I [illegible] receive five Thousand Dollars I have directed our Agents Messrs. Jno. Ward & Co Wall Street New York to accept your dft for that Amount or to make Deposit in such Bank as you dir[illegible] Please [illegible] me by Mail directed to Detroit Territory of Michigan

respectfully your
obt. Servt.
E. P. Hastings Prest.
Bank of Michigan

Japanese Gold Coins

Assayed Sept. 20. 1828 —

— 3 pieces —

	dwts	Grs.
1 weighed —	8 —	10
1 —	8	9.
1 —	8 —	10

average weight — 8. 9 2/3

The several pieces being separately assayed gave the following results

	Car.	Gr.	
1 —	15.	2 3/4	
1 —	15.	3 —	average — 15. 2 13/16
1 —	15.	2 3/4	

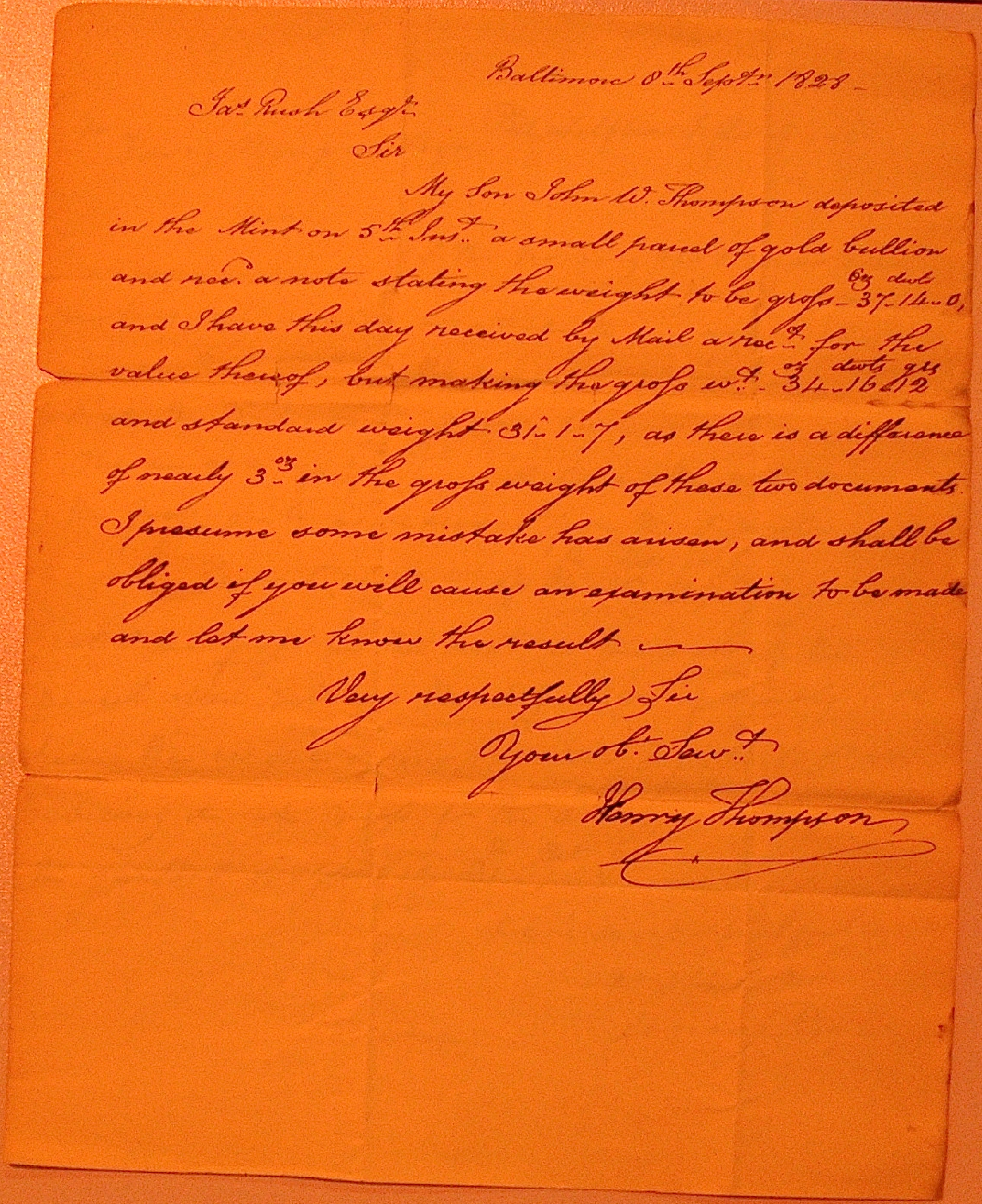
The second specimen of Japanese gold coins given in Bonneville is stated at 8 penny^wt 9½ grains and of the standard of 16 carats, according to our terms — The very near correspondence proves these specimens to be the same — They are called Kobang in the Foreign Tables —

These coins [illegible] of

all ~~[illegible]~~ external impurities by washing may be estimated to weigh on an average 8 penny^{t} 9½ grains and to be of the intrinsic value of $5.31, or .63¼ Cents per pennyweight taken in their ordinary state without washing —

Sep^{r} 20. 1828

These specimens were brought to the Mint by Mr. Hayes and were assayed for the purpose of obtaining information on a subject interesting to Government —



Baltimore 8th Sept. 1828 –

Jas. Rush Esqr.

Sir

My Son John W. Thompson deposited in the Mint on 5th Inst. a small parcel of gold bullion and recd. a note stating the weight to be gross – $\overset{oz}{37}$-$\overset{dwt}{14}$-0, and I have this day received by Mail a recd. for the value thereof, but making the gross wt. – $\overset{oz}{34}$-$\overset{dwts}{16}$-$\overset{grs}{12}$ and standard weight 31.-1-7, as there is a difference of nearly 3^{oz} in the gross weight of these two documents. I presume some mistake has arisen, and shall be obliged if you will cause an examination to be made and let me know the result ––

Very respectfully Sir

Your obt. Servt.

Henry Thompson

To Henry Thompson Esqr Philadelphia Septr 9. 1828

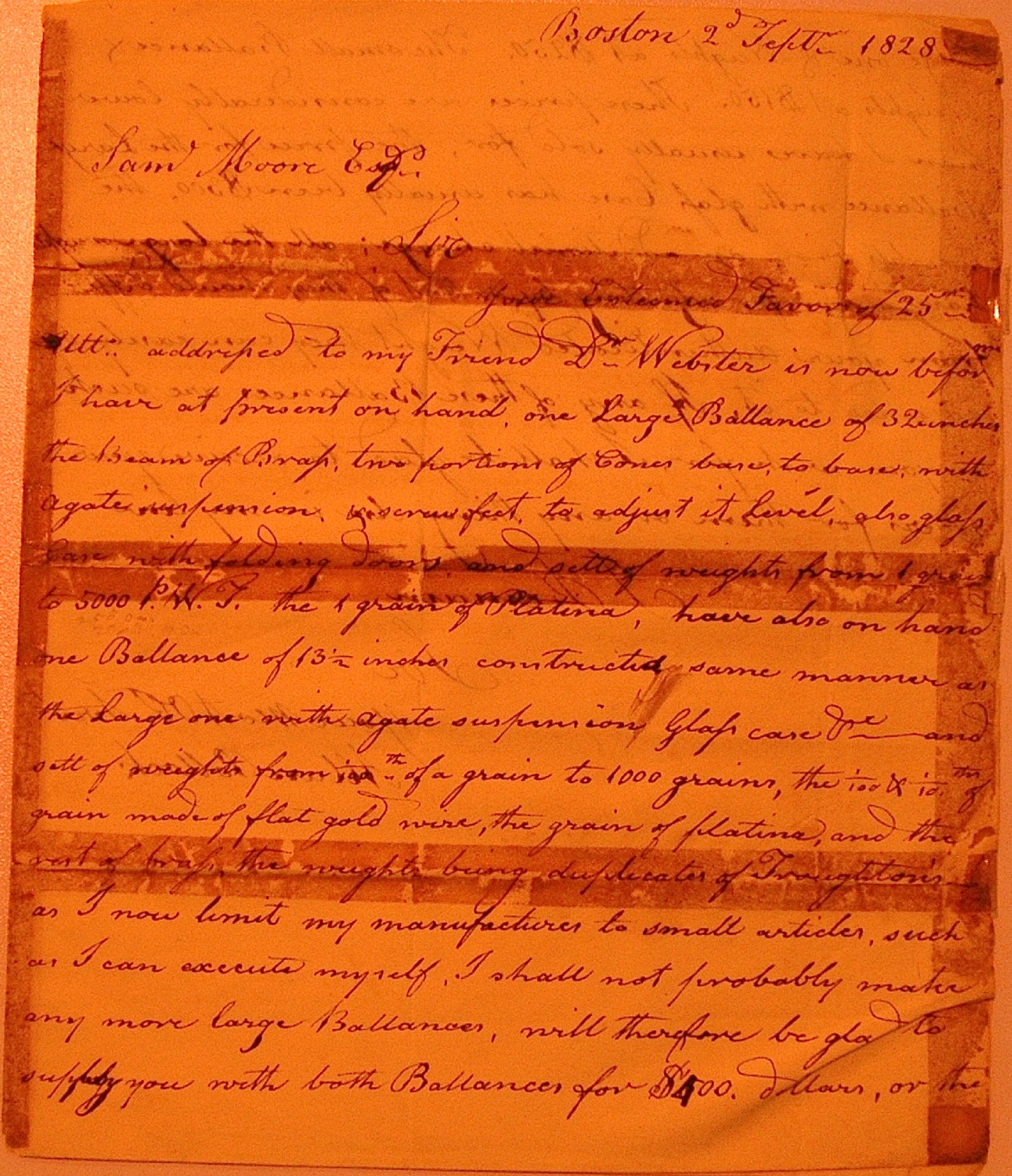
Sir

I this morning recd your letter making an inquiry relative to an apparent mistake in the report on the weight of Gold bullion deposited at the Mint, on the 5th inst by your son.

The weight of $\overset{oz}{37}.\overset{dwt}{14}$ — stated in the note was the Gross amt, as received from the depositor.

The second weight of $\overset{oz}{34}.\overset{dwt}{16}.\overset{gr}{12}$, being noted as Gross in the rect. is the amt of the parcel after melting: the difference of nearly 3 oz being the weight of impurities, separated in reducing it into mass for the assay, which gives the standard weight of $\overset{oz}{31}.\overset{dwt}{1}.\overset{gr}{7}$. —

I am sir respectfully
yr obt servt
James Rush

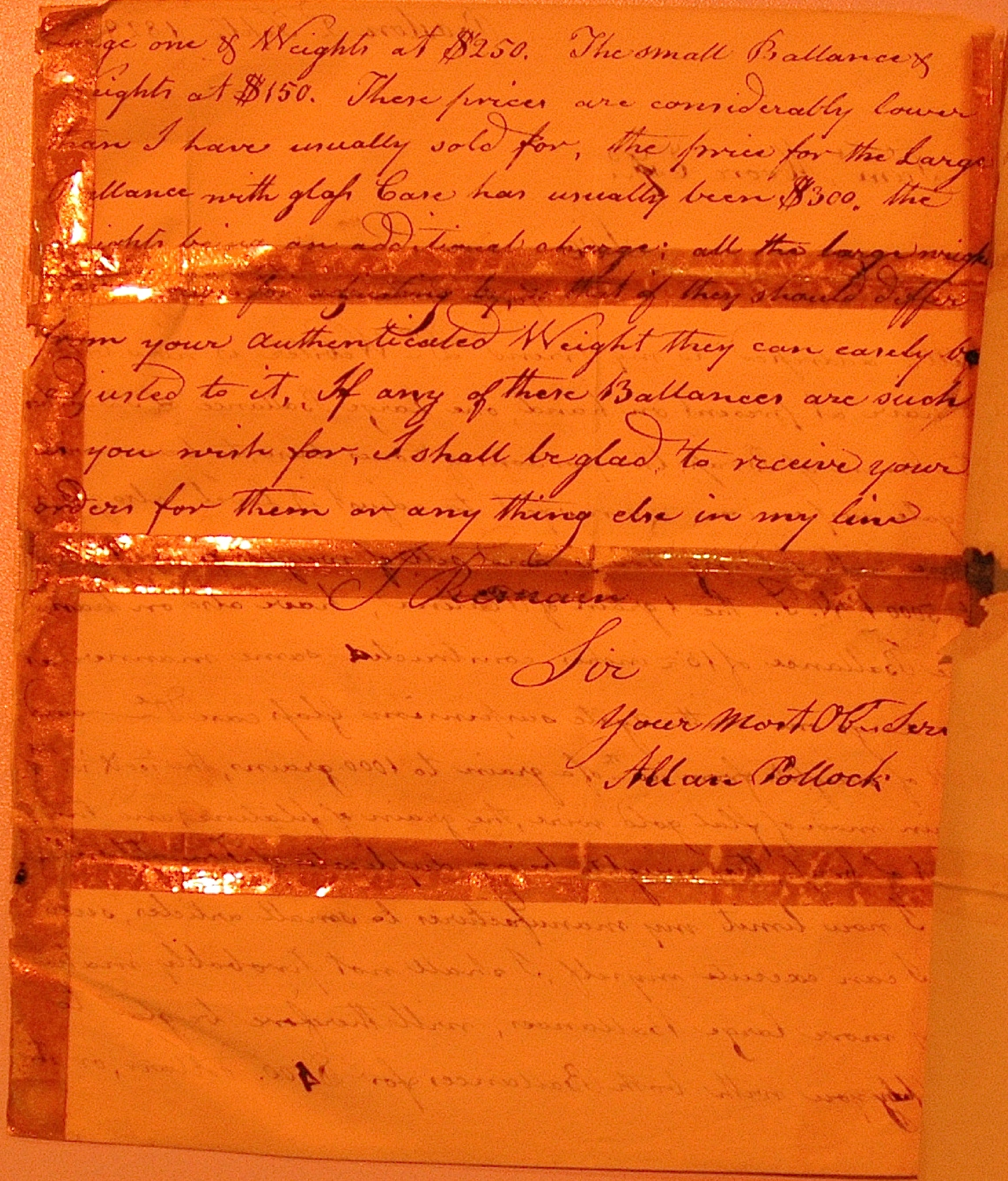


Boston 2d Sept. 1828

Sam Moore Esq.

Sir

Your Esteemed Favor of 25th
Ult. addreſsed to my Friend Dr. Webster is now before
I have at present on hand, one Large Ballance of 32 inches
the Beam of Braſs, two portions of Cones base, to base, with
agate suspension, 3 screw feet, to adjust it level, also glaſs
case with folding doors, and sett of weights from 1 grain
to 5000 P.W.T. the 1 grain of Platina, have also on hand
one Ballance of 13½ inches constructed same manner as
the Large one with agate suspension Glaſs case &c and
sett of weights from $\frac{1}{100}$th of a grain to 1000 grains, the $\frac{1}{100}$ & $\frac{1}{10}$th of
grain made of flat gold wire, the grain of platina, and the
rest of braſs, the weights being duplicates of Troughton's
as I now limit my manufactures to small articles, such
as I can execute myself, I shall not probably make
any more large Ballances, will therefore be glad to
supply you with both Ballances for $400. dollars, or the



arge one & Weights at $250. The small Ballance & eights at $150. These prices are considerably lower han I have usually sold for, the price for the Large allance with glass Case has usually been $300. the eights being an additional charge; all the large weights are [illegible] for adjusting by, so that if they should differ from your authenticated Weight they can easily be djusted to it. If any of these Ballances are such s you wish for, I shall be glad to receive your orders for them or any thing else in my line

I Remain

Sir

Your Most Ob. Serv.

Allan Pollock

Treasury Department,
Comptroller's Office,
16. July, 1828.

Sir,

Your Account of Gold & Silver Bullion deposited for coinage, and coins made and paid for deposits, and your Account of Ordinary Receipts and Expenditures, for the 1. Quarter of 1828, have been adjusted at the Treasury; and the following balances found due to the United States from you; viz.

On the former Account.

Gold Bullion in the hands of the Chief coiner,	$989.16.–
Ditto " " " Melter & Refiner,	1,351.98.5
Silver Bullion " " " Chief Coiner,	95,361.97.5
Ditto " " " Melter & Refiner,	37,099.80.5
Ditto " " " Commr. of Inspection,	3.33.5
Gold Coins in the Bank of the United States and in the hands of the Treasurer, . .	2,231.12.5
Silver coins in the Bank of the United States,	47,101.27.–
	$184,140.45.5
And on the latter Account, ...	$644.32

corresponding

corresponding with the balances stated in your accounts rendered, and which remain to be accounted for on future settlements.

Respectfully

Jo. Anderson
Comptroller

James Rush, Esq.
Treasurer of the Mint

Treasury Department,
Comptroller's Office,
25. August, 1828.

Sir,

Your account of Payments made in Gold and Silver coins of the United States, on account of Deposits during the 2. Quarter of the present year, has been adjusted at the Treasury, and a balance of $193,512.89 found due to the United States from you; consisting of

Gold Bullion in the hands of the Chief Coiner,	$1,219.01.5
" " " " " Melter & Refiner,	952.12."
Silver ditto " " " Chief Coiner,	72,807.07.5
" " " " " Melter & Refiner,	114,242.01."
" " " " " Commissioners of Inspection,	2.23.5
Balance of Gold Coins in the Bank of the United States and the hands of the Treasurer,	1,495.14."
Balance of Silver coins in the Bank of the United States,	2,794.82.5
	$193,512.89."

Res=

Respectfully,

Jos Anderson

Comptroller.

James Rush, Esq.

Treasurer of the Mint.

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, July 21. 1828.

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 9836 *on the Bank of the United States, for Dollars,* 249 = 45 ——— *the amount of Warrant No.* 100 *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an* early *acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

Wm Clark

Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esqr

Copy of Memorandum of Medals deliv^d

1825				lb. oz. dwt. gr.
Dec. 10 —	10	Medals of fine silver large size, wt. [illegible] —		4.5.6.0
12 —	11	" " " " "	—	4.9.12.0
15 —	11	" " 2^d. size — "	—	4.10.12.0
17	12	" " 3^d size	"	1.10.15
1826				
Mar 24	35	" " 3^d size — "	—	5.5.0.0
" "	40	" " 2^d size — "		10.9.19.0
" "	25	" " large size — "		10.7.13.0
July 7 —	10	" " " " "	—	4.2.12.0
" "	10	" " " " "		4.2.6.12
12	10	" " " " "	—	4.2.7.12
	10	" " " " "		4.2.19.1
15 —	13	" " second size "	—	3.7.1.0
"	13	" " second size "	—	3.7.8.0
1828				
Jan^y 18 —	9	" " large size "	—	3.9.2.0
" "	11	" " 2^d. size "	—	3.0.9.12
"	1	" " 3^d. size "	—	0.1.13.12

95 large size
88 2^d. size
48 3^d size — 73.10.16.12
12.
231 Medals = Ounces. 886=16=12

this memorandum not sent with Bill
to Washington —

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, July 26th 1828

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 9847. *on the Bank of the United States, for Dollars,* 4.000 ——— *the amount of Warrant No.* 127. *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an early acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

Wm Clark

Treasurer of the United States.

James Rush Esqr

Mint of the United States

Philad.a Aug.t 8. 1828

Sir

The President yesterday authorised me to apply to Mr. Brent for the two beams constructed by Dearborn which were used ~~the apparatus~~, ~~and by him~~ in preparing his report on weights and measures. I have accordingly done so by letter of this date. My ~~request~~ wish therefore to ~~have~~ obtain the beams mentioned by Mr Hassler, you will ~~[illegible]~~ please to consider ~~[illegible]~~ as waived for the present ~~further~~ ~~[illegible]~~.

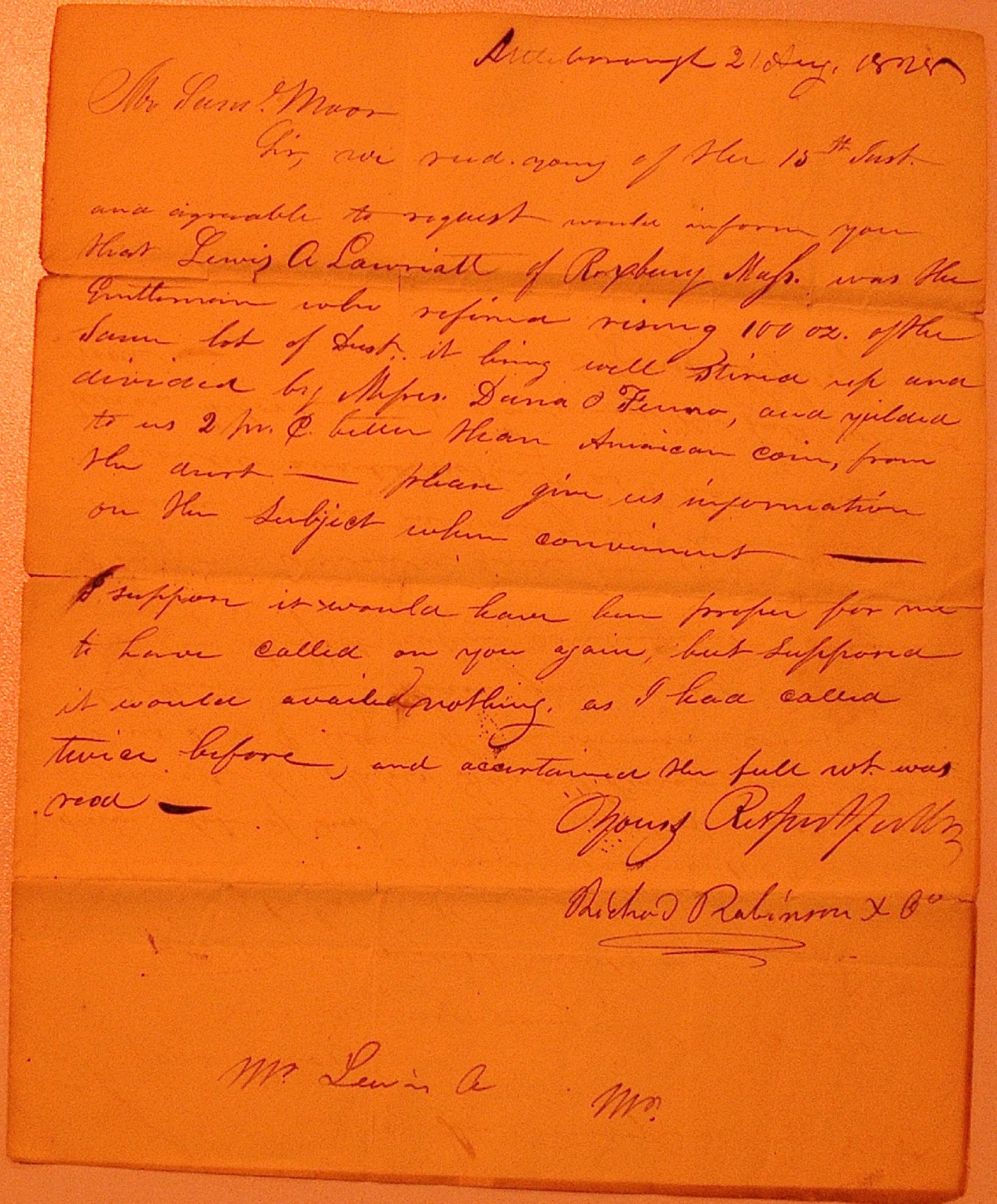
Very respectfully,

Your obed.t Serv.t

Saml Moore

Col. I. Roberdeau

Topog. Engineer.



Attleborough 21 Aug. 1825

Mr Saml. Moor

Sir, we recd. yours of the 15th Inst. and agreeable to request would inform you that Lewis A Lawriatt of Roxbury Mass. was the Gentleman who refined rising 100 oz. of the same lot of Dust. it being well Stirred up and divided by Messrs. Dana & Fenno, and yielded to us 2 pr. C. better than American coin, from the dust — please give us information on the Subject when convenient —

I suppose it would have been proper for me to have called on you again, but supposed it would availed nothing, as I had called twice before, and ascertained the full wt. was recd —

Yours Respectfully

Richard Robinson & Co

Mr. Lewis A

Mr.

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, July 2d 1828.

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. 9805. on the Bank of the United States, for dollars, 2400 the amount of Warrant, No. 1. issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an early acknowledgment, specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

Wm Clark

Treasurer of the United States.

Jams Rush Esqr

Treasury Department
Registers Office Dec 29 1827

Sir,

In compliance with the reference to this Office of the letter of Samuel Moore Esqr relative to the value of "copper for the use of the mint" which by the Statement of Imports and Exports for the year ending on the 30th of September 1826, appears to have been imported and exported, during that year, I have the honor to report that the amounts inserted in the said Statement were made up of the following values, which appear in the Collectors abstracts, for the period referred to. viz

By the Collectors abstracts, there was imported during the year ending with the 30th of September 1826, "Copper for the use of the mint." .. as follows,

Into New York ..	Value	$ 57.992
Philada	"	19. 840
New London	"	589
Newburyport	"	541
Amount as exhibited in the Statement of Imports - page 14		$72.926

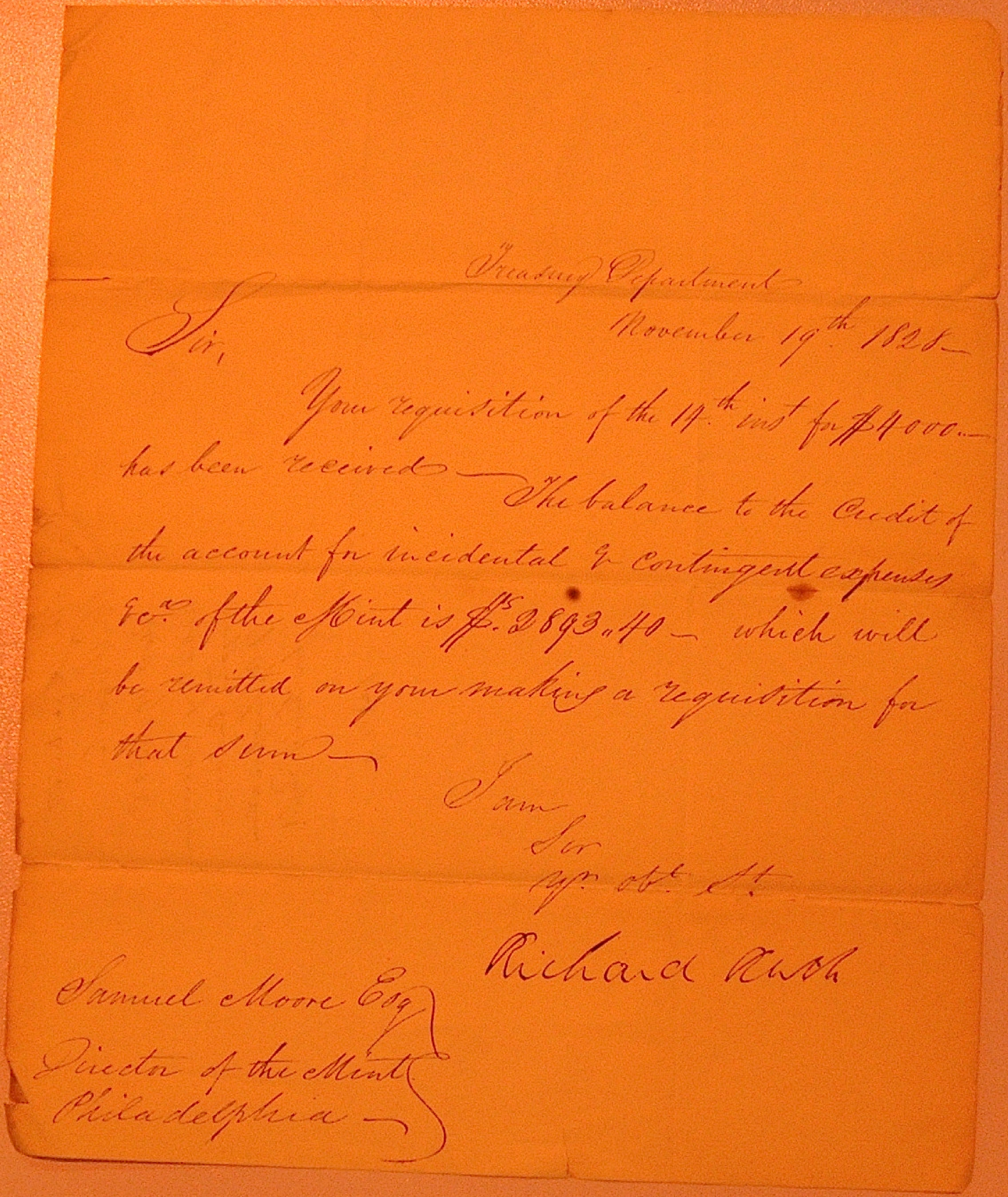
And by the Abstracts of Exports from Philadelphia during the same Period, it appears that the export of "copper "which had been imported for the use of the mint" amount to $3.083

&c

the amount as exhibited in the said Statement, page 178–

I have the honor, to be
Sir, very respectfully
Your obt. Servt.
Joseph Nourse R.

Hon. Richd. Rush
Secy. of the Treasury.



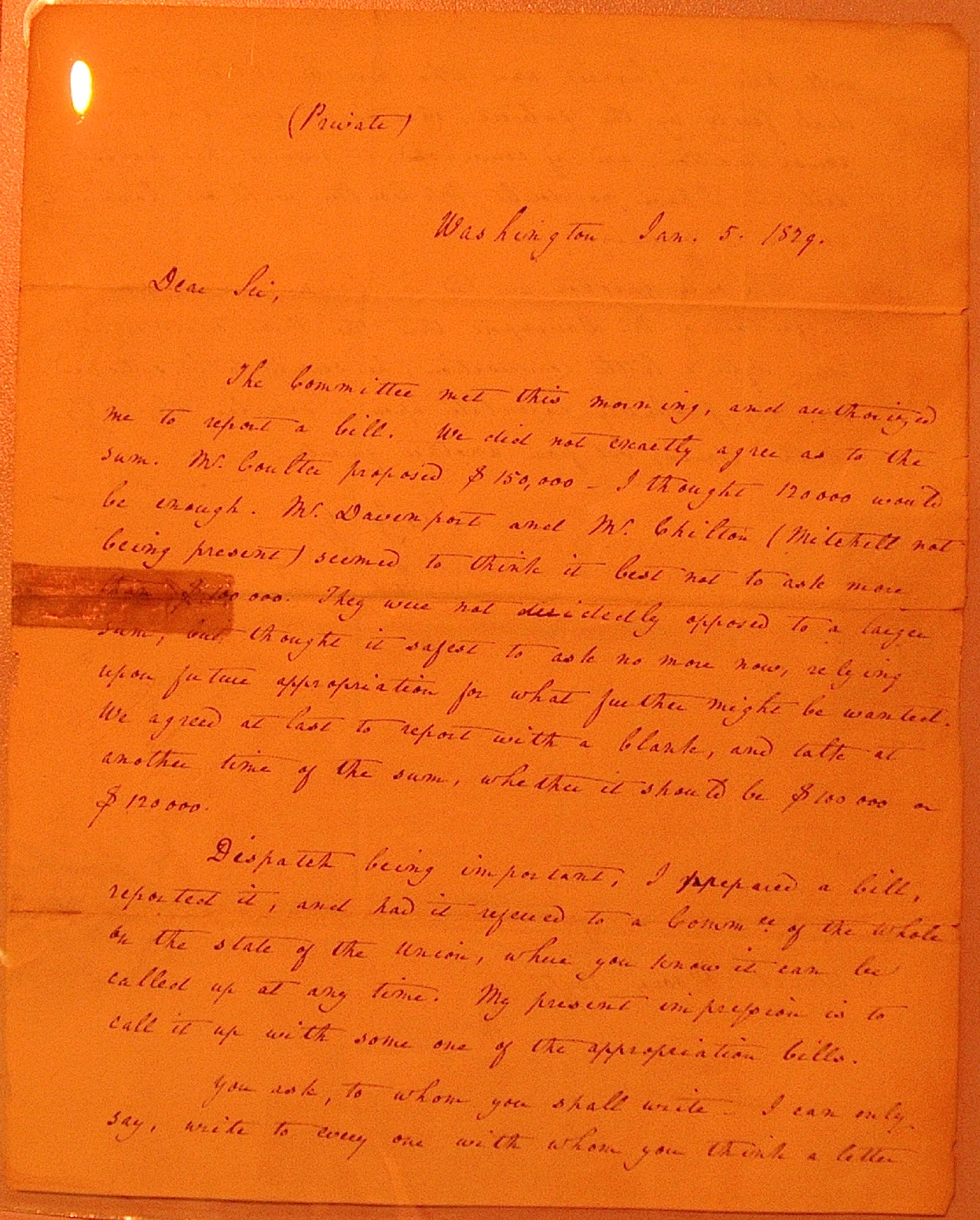
Treasury Department
November 19th 1828

Sir,

Your requisition of the 14th inst for $4000 has been received — The balance to the Credit of the account for incidental & contingent expenses &c. of the Mint is $s. 2893.40 — which will be remitted on your making a requisition for that sum —

I am
Sir
Yr. obt. St.
Richard Rush

Samuel Moore Esq
Director of the Mint
Philadelphia



(Private)

Washington Jan. 5. 1829.

Dear Sir,

The Committee met this morning, and authorized me to report a bill. We did not exactly agree as to the sum. Mr. Coulter proposed $150,000 – I thought 120000 would be enough. Mr. Davenport and Mr. Chilton (Mitchell not being present) seemed to think it best not to ask more than $100 000. They were not decidedly opposed to a larger sum, but thought it safest to ask no more now, relying upon future appropriation for what further might be wanted. We agreed at last to report with a blank, and talk at another time of the sum, whether it should be $100 000 or $120000.

Dispatch being important, I prepared a bill, reported it, and had it referred to a Commee. of the Whole on the state of the Union, where you know it can be called up at any time. My present impression is to call it up with some one of the appropriation bills.

You ask, to whom you shall write. I can only say, write to every one with whom you think a letter will have influence, and who may be relied upon to deal fairly by the subject, that is, to give it a candid consideration, and, if convinced, to give it his honest aid — I have no doubt Mr. Coulter will act honorably, and with becoming zeal.

The only question we had in Comm.ee was upon a suggestion of Mr. Davenport that the Mint ought to be here. After a little conversation, he seemed to be satisfied. We may probably calculate upon a similar difficulty in the House, but from another quarter,

Truly yr

John Sergeant

Mr. Sergeant
Jany 5. 1825
1541

Samuel Moore Esqr.

The coining presses are four in number and are put in motion together with the cutting out presses which are six in number by a 14 horse ~~horse~~ Watt & Boulton steam [illegible] machinery is so constructed that the whole can be worked at once. Each coining press stamps sixty times in a minute the cutting out presses at from fifty to sixty per minute each.

The cost of the Mint that is of the above portion of it including a 14 horse steam Engine is £ 8,300

There is besides a Rolling Mill for lamina [illegible] the silver bars (worked by the above 14 horse engine) which cost . 3,140

There is also the furnace work of gold and silver melting furnaces with moulds and carriages for the same, cost 2,500

£ 13,940

Jany 5th
New York ~~Decemr~~ 1st 1829

Saml. Rush Esqr. Dr. Sir

Annexed you have ~~yr~~ your account made up to the present time, ~~[illegible]~~ I will draw for the amount $217.11 a[illegible] dft you will please honour

Very Respectfully
Your Obdt. Servt.
Robt. L Duane
Per. Wm. S. Hastie

Robert L. Duane
New York Jany 5. 1829
Received 6 ditto

134 6½

James Rush Esqr
Treasr U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

James Rush Esqr
Treasr U.S. Mint

Dr To Robt L Duane

1828				
April	17	To Postage		13
"	24	" Cash paid Cartage		25
		Transpt 1 Keg Coins mkd Brad Kelly Cleveland Ohio 3. 0. 0	12/-	4 50
		" Insurance on do from N.Y. to Cleveland		1 30
	29	" Postage		13
May	1	" Cartage 2 Kegs Coins P.G. Seymour		37
		Transpt from New York to Auburn including 8 miles cartage from Weedsport		5 25
		Insurance from N.Y. to Auburn ½ p.c.		1.50
"	30	" Cash paid Postage		13
June	5	" Transpt to Albany on 8 Kegs Cents for N.Y.S. Bank	@ 4/-	4
		" Cartage to Steam Boat		75
		Insurance ¼ p.ct $1070		2 67
	14	" Postage of V C Yates fm Albany		12
	27	" Postage		13
	30	" Cartage 7 Casks Coins mkd 13 Utica		75
		Transpt of do from N York to Utica cont. of 1000 Dolls. @ 22. 3. 7	40c	9 13
		Insurance on do		5
July	21	" Postage		13
		Amount carrd forward		$36 24

1828		Amount brought forward		36	24
Aug	9	To Cartage 1 Keg Coins mkd ≢ S Seymour Buffalo			25
		Tran.t on d.o from Ny. to Buffalo [illegible] 3.2.8	2/6	4	23
		Insurance			80
		Cartage 7 Casks Coins Bk Geneva			50
		Tran.t on d.o from NYork to Geneva @ 32.1.8	8/	22	37
		Insurance on d.o		5	—
	23	Postage			13
Sept	8	Cartage on 3 Casks Coins Bk Rochester			50
		Tran.t on d.o from Nyork to Rochester 10.0.7	8/	10	06
		Insurance		1	10
Octo	29	Insurance on 2500 dolls. from Nyork to Buffalo (19 Casks Coins) ½ p.ct		12	50
		Insurance on d.o from Buffalo to Detroit ¾ p.c. 2500 dolls. Policy 1/		20	—
		Tran.t of the above from Nyork to Detroit @ 57.2.0	13/6	97	03
		Cartage on d.o		2	
Dec	26	Interest on advances		4	50
		$217.11		$ 217	11

1829

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 12, 1829.

Moore, Samuel, Director,
to
Hon. John Sergeant,
Washington, D.C.

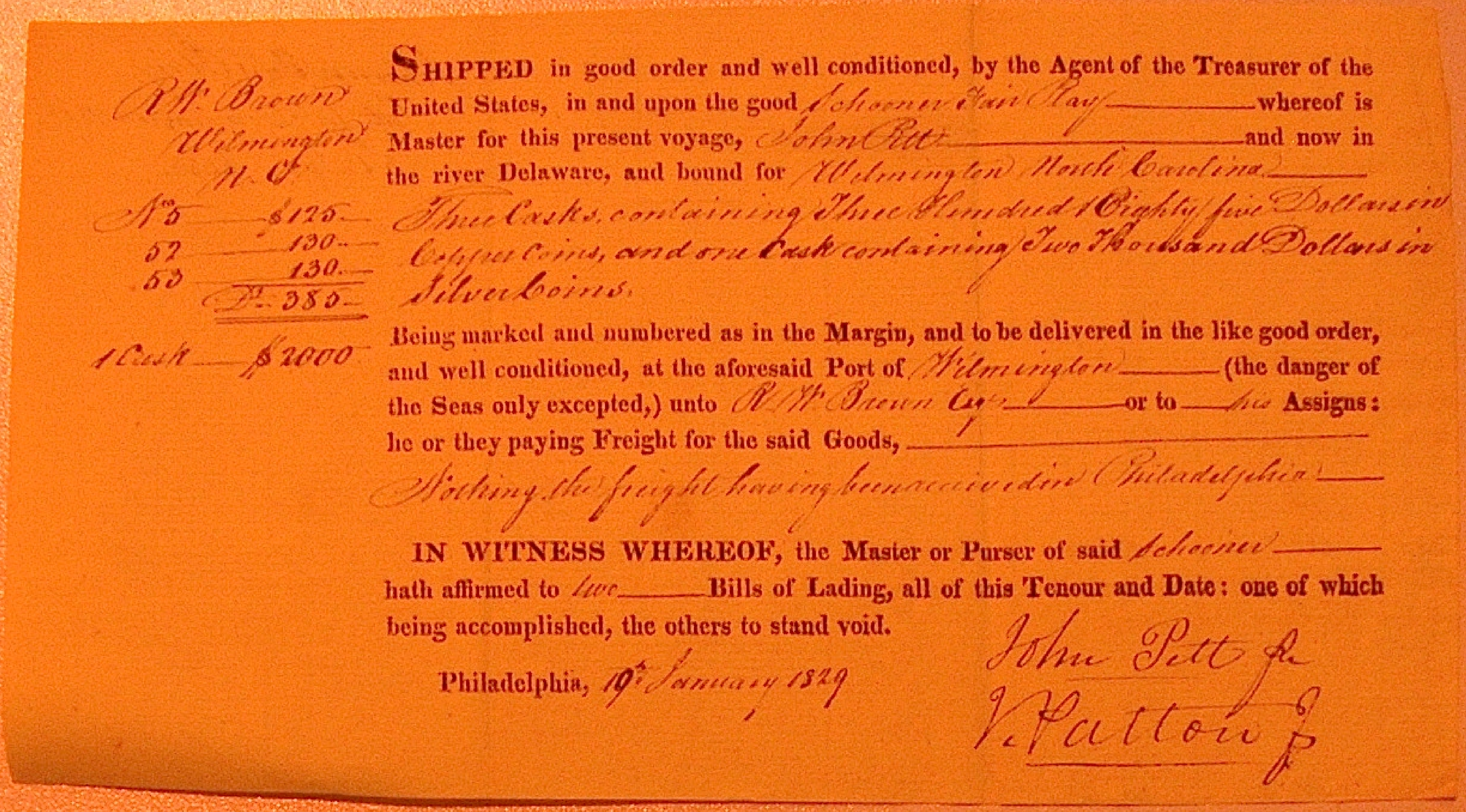
My Dear Sir

I send you herewith an extract from the Annual report on the Mint recently forwarded. You will judge whether it will be useful to have it in possession of the House before the Bill on the Mint is called up. I presume the communication of it would be made on almost any day if desired. The comparisons given of the charge of coinage under the different states of productiveness of the Mint is a new topic. The charge as stated includes the wastage in the various processes.

In an interesting assay on the subject of money in the supplement to the Edinborough Encyclopedia authority, the charge of silver coinage both in the British and French Mints is given at one and a half percent. Gold is less expensive, amounting only, say from one third to a half percent - but our coinage is almost wholly silver and under the disadvantage a very limited amount compared with their operation.

Very truly yours,

SAMUEL MOORE



R. W. Brown
Wilmington
N. C.

No 5 — $125 —
57 — 130 —
53 — 130 —
D. 385 —

1 Cask — $2000 —

SHIPPED in good order and well conditioned, by the Agent of the Treasurer of the United States, in and upon the good Schooner Fair Play whereof is Master for this present voyage, John Pitt and now in the river Delaware, and bound for Wilmington North Carolina

Three Casks, containing Three Hundred & Eighty five Dollars in Copper Coins, and one Cask containing Two Thousand Dollars in Silver Coins.

Being marked and numbered as in the Margin, and to be delivered in the like good order, and well conditioned, at the aforesaid Port of Wilmington (the danger of the Seas only excepted,) unto R. W. Brown Esqr or to his Assigns: he or they paying Freight for the said Goods, Nothing the freight having been received in Philadelphia

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Master or Purser of said Schooner hath affirmed to two Bills of Lading, all of this Tenour and Date: one of which being accomplished, the others to stand void.

Philadelphia, 19th January 1829

John Pitt pr
V. Patton J

Mr Sergeant
Jany 17 1829
15th

Philada. Jany. 17. 1829

My dear Sir

Your favour of the 15th. enclosing came this afternoon
a copy of the Mint ~~Bill came this afternoon~~ Bill for which I thank you.
The terms of it ~~[illegible]~~ ~~terms~~ of ~~the~~ ~~Bill~~ is ~~perfectly satisfactory~~ [illegible] as little liable to
~~and I trust you will~~ ~~no~~ objections as any ~~[illegible]~~ that can be adopted
~~[illegible]~~ conveying the requisite powers & I trust
~~for giving the~~ ~~I trust the House~~ ~~will sanction~~ it.
You will have the satisfaction of obtaining for it the sanction and of the
House.

~~I am sorry it may seem to have some reproaches~~
If this effort ~~should~~ thwarted ~~[illegible]~~ and ~~[illegible]~~ a [illegible] proposition to remove the Mint
~~[illegible]~~ I presume ~~to be~~ some reproaches ~~from the [illegible]~~ on the part of ~~[illegible]~~ those who imagine are in their favour
~~that~~ the Mint might have slept ~~[illegible]~~ here without
disturbance but for my ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ exposure of its condition. On the ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] of the ~~[illegible]~~ measure [illegible]
~~[illegible]~~ fully persuaded ~~[illegible]~~. The question would
inevitably come up in a few years ~~under~~ a aspect much less
favourable, in many particulars ~~than at [illegible] the [illegible]~~ ~~Your absence from~~
~~the House~~ ~~I [illegible]~~ ~~[illegible] the most [illegible]~~ [illegible] the chief of them. But

Whatever be the result the measure is vindicated by the facts ~~[illegible]~~.

Whatever be the result the ~~[illegible]~~ measure ~~[illegible]~~ is vindicated by the facts themselves and I was bound in fidelity to ~~I have seen ample reasons it appears to me why the bill should pass if the House decide otherwise~~.

I was ~~[illegible]~~ a little alarmed when I found my communication to the Committee had been given in extenso to the House ~~[illegible]~~ apprehending the familiarity and minuteness of some of the details would appear below the gravity of such a communication. I yield however to your ~~[illegible]~~ judgment on this point & presume it was on the whole best — Mr. Biddle decidedly approves of your decision in this respect.

The ~~matter contained in this~~ com^n & in the annual report ~~[illegible]~~ I presume has been laid before the House contains facts, data and estimates sufficient it would ~~[illegible]~~ to commend the subject of the Mint in this place to the judgment of the House. I do not presume that I can add any thing usefully to the facts, data & estimates presented in this com^n & the annual report, now, I presume also in possession of the House. I have written to Mr. Miller, Dr. Sutherland and Mr. Ulrich but ~~have~~ apprehensive of ~~[illegible]~~ doing injury ~~& feel as if all [illegible]~~ by an appearance of too much anxiety if I extend this attention ~~beyond [illegible]~~ among the members of other districts especially as I have no further ~~[illegible]~~ information to give ~~[illegible] they do not~~ possess. —

Yours very truly
Saml Moore

1829

United States Mint,
Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 17, 1829.

Moore, Samuel, Director,
to
Hon. John Sergeant,
Washington, D.C.

My Dear Sir

Your favor of the 15th came this afternoon, enclosing a copy of the Mint Bill for which I thank you. The terms of it seem as little liable to objection as any that can be adopted conveying the requisite power. I trust you will have the satisfaction of obtaining for it the sanction of the House.

If this effort should a serious proposition to remove the Mint I presume some reproaches are in store for me on thepart of those who inquire the Mint might have slept here without disturbance but for my of its condition. On the proceedure of the Measure, however, as regards the continuance of the Mint, I am fully persuaded. The question would immediately come up in a few years and under aspects much less favorable than attend the Mint movement in many particulars. But, whatever be the result, the Measure is vindicated by the facts.disclosed.

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I have written to Mr. Miller D. Sutherland and Mr. but I am apprehensive of doing injury by an appearance of too muchanxiety if I extend this attantion among the members of other districts, especially KHM, as I have no farther information to give now.

Yours very truly,

SAMUEL MOORE

Philadª Jany 12. 1829

My Dear Sir.

I send you herewith an extract ~~from~~ from the annual report on the Mint recently forwarded ~~[illegible] being in fact all the reports contain an introductory [illegible]~~. You will judge whether it will be useful to have it in possession of the House before the Bill on the Mint is [illegible] called up — I presume the communication of it could be made on almost any day if desired — The comparativeness of the charge of coinage under the different states of productiveness of the Mint, is a new topic. The charge as stated in dollars ~~by~~ [illegible] ~~the Mint~~ ~~has never before been~~ in [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ wastage in the various processes. ~~than this compound~~ In an interesting paper ~~apparently~~ [illegible] on the subject of Money in the supplement to the Edinb. Encyclopaedia the charge of silver coinage in the both ~~Mints of~~ British & French Mints is [illegible] given at one and a half per cent — ~~including I presume the wastage~~ [illegible] Gold is less expensive, amounting only, say ~~to~~ from one third to a half per cent — but our coinage ~~being~~ is almost wholly silver [illegible] and also ~~[illegible]~~ under the disadvantage ~~of being far~~ [illegible] a very limited amount compared with their operation. —

Very truly Yours

Saml Moore

[redacted]

Philada. Jany 29. 1829

My dear Sir

I mentioned the Mint Bill to Mr Ingham as he passed on to Washington, as also the bill you had prepared, & asked him, for his arrival before it should be necessary to call it up. He had not noticed what has passed on the subject, and will need some communication from you to possess him of the requisite information — I had no copy of my letter to the Committee, nor of my Annual Report, in a form that I could place in his hands, I suppose they can easily be furnished for him at Washington.

It is hoped the moment will soon be found opportune for bringing up the subject. If this session should close without obtaining the passage of your Bill, I see little hope of success hereafter —

Neither you nor Mr. Ingham will probably be in the House again, until some other destination of the Mint will have been unsuccessfully advocated.

With great esteem

Yours truly

Saml. Moore

Honl. John Sergeant

To
Mr Sergeant
Private
Jany 29. 1829
15/8

1829

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 29, 1829

Moore, Samuel, Director,
to
Hon. John Sergeant,
Washington, D.C.

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With great esteem,
Yours truly,

SAMUEL MOORE

TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES,

Washington, Jany. 22d. 1829.

SIR,

Enclosed you will find my draft No. *on the Bank of the United States, for Dollars,* 3.700 —— *the amount of Warrant, No.* 114. *issued by the Secretary of the Treasury, on receipt whereof be pleased to favor me with an early acknowledgment,* specifying the *sum* received.

With due consideration, I am,

Sir, your obedient servant,

WILLIAM CLARK,

Treasurer of the United States.

Jas. Rush Esqr.

Mint of Bank

Gold with Silver of U.S. Bank – Assd Feb. 1829

Ingot Nos.	lb.	oz.	dw.	Fineness D. gr.	Gold
1–318	83	7	0	11.15	25
2–315	84	4	0	11.17½	25
3–299	84	4	0	11.18	25
4–283	83	3	0	11.16	25
5–300	84	3	0	11.15	R.25
6–297	83	6	15	11.17½	25
8–295	85	2	15	11.15½	25
9–309	84	8	15	11.13½	R.36
10–312	83	11	5	11.19	25
11–298	84	11	5	11.17	29
12–317	82	7	15	11.18	25
13–308	82	4	10	11.16	R.37
14–307	81	10	15	11.19	R.28
16–316	83	5	0	11.15	37
17–310	83	5	15	11.18	25
18–309	83	5	5	11.19	25
19–296	84	9	15	11.18	25
20–314	83	8	10	11.14	25
18 Bars	1507	11	0 =	210.13	20.12

Average fineness as Silver 11.16½

Average of fine gold per lb. . . . 27½

				Den. gr.	
7–313	84	6	10	11.14	20
15–239	82	2	10	11.22	16
20–311	83	11	16	11.18	20
3. Bars	250	8	15	35–6	.56

Average fineness as Silver 11.18

Average of fine gold per lb. . . . 18⅔

Those marked R. had not been stamped for gold but were assayed by Mr. Richardson } over

18 Bars lb. 1507.11
12
Gross Ounces 18095
[illegible]
Stand. Oz est.d by stamp on the bars } 19797.¾
Deduct ½ per Ct for difference on assay being as usual nearly so over } 99.0
Stand. Ounces 19698.¾
Value of 18 bars estimating the gold as Silver } $22792.875

= 41206 grs. fine gold $1664.87
41206 " " Silver 110.55

lb. 250.8.15 = Ounces 3008¾
Stand. by Stamp — oz. dwt 3301.4
deduct ½ per Ct. 16.10
Stand. Ounces 3284.14
Value of 3 Bars as Silver } $3790.04
deduct allowance

4679 grs. fine gold $189.05
4679 " " Silver 12.60
add value of gold to estimated fineness } 176.45
3966.49

Gold in 18 Bars	1664.89
" " 3 "	189.05
21	$1853.94

Value of 18 Bars estimating the Gold as Silver —	$22728.75
Fine gold in 18 Bars 41206 grs. = 1664.89	
Deduct so many grains estimated as fine silver	110.99
Additional value if the gold could be separated without expense	1553.90
Value of 18 Bars if the gold could be separated without expense — —	$24282.65
Pay for alloy —	50.00
	$24232.65
Value of 3 Bars if the gold could be separated free of expense —	3966.49
Pay for alloy —	8.00
	$3958.49

No notice is taken above of the probable charge for toughening, for if the gold be separated the silver will require no toughening

Assay of Silver by Mr. R. comp. with Stamps —

No.	Sp. Stamps Den. grs		Mr. Richardson
5 —	11-15	—	11 den. 12 1/5 grains
7 —	11.13½	—	11 " 15 1/5
13 —	11.16	—	11 " 11½
14 —	11.19	—	11 " 17
15 —	11.22	—	11 " 21 1/5
16 —	11.15	—	11 " 14½
Average	11.16 3/4	—	11 " 15 1/4

This makes a difference after reducing our terms to den. & grs. in fineness of 53/100 of one per cent — (This experiment of 5 Bars differs very much from the results on the 21 Bars)

On trial of the ten bars of 14th Dec. Mr. Curcier deposited the difference was $\frac{46}{100}$ of one per cent. which differs not more than 1/10 &c.

It may be therefore taken that our assays indicate about a ½ per cent less silver than the Spanish in the same Bars

21 Bars Goldish Silver B.U.S.

assayed by Mr. Richardson Feby. 1829

	No.	W.	Oz.	dw.	assay			Value as Silver	Gold by assay	oz. d. g.
	1—318	83	7	0	11	12	4	$1254.54	grs. 32	= 5=11=10
1	2—315	84	4	0	11	15	4	1252.21	36	= 6=6=12
	3—299	84	4	0	11	14	16	1279.42	29	= 5=1=21
2	4—283	83	3	0	11	13	4	1254.99	29	= 5=0=14
	5—300	84	3	0	11	10	4	1253.65	25	= 4=7=18
3	6—297	83	6	15	11	14	4	1264.99	36	= 6=5=8
	7—313	84	6	10	11	12	10	1270.28	33	= 5=16=6
4	8—295	85	2	15	11	12	10	1280.64	37	= 6=11=9
	9—309	84	8	15	11	12	16	1274.48	36	= 6=7=2
	10—312	83	11	5	11	14	10	1271.53	33	= 5=15=10
	11—298	84	11	5	11	15	22	1255.49	37	= 6=10=23
6	12—317	82	7	15	11	14	10	1252.48	36	= 6=3=23
	13—308	82	4	10	11	9	16	1223.10	37	= 6=6=23
7	14—307	81	10	15	11	14	4	1235.75	28	= 4=15=13
	15—239	82	2	10	11	17	16	1263.14	12	= 2=1=2
8	16—316	83	5	0	11	12	4	1252.04	48	= 8=6=20
	17—310	83	5	15	11	14	16	1266.46	36	= 6=5=5
9	18—309	83	5	5	11	14	16	1265.86	33	= 5=14=17
	19—296	84	9	15	11	15	4	1289.48	37	= 6=10=18
10	20—311	83	11	15	11	14	10	1272.77	35	= 6=2=12
11	21—314	83	8	10	11	11	16	1253.80	36	= 6=5=13

21104 Oz. Gross

23020 Oz. Stand. = $26561.54

Av. fineness

11.13.0

Fine 122.7-15

Stand: 133.10.3

$2373.45

The above were placed in
Boxes for exportation
numbered 1 to 11 as above

Aver. fineness by Ass. Stamp where 11.14.2

43/100 of 1 pr. c. 11.14.2 all 25 grs. in 5760

= 43/100 of 1 p. c. nearly

Mint Numbs.		Quality	Gross weight	Standard U States	Gold in 12 oz	Fine gold in each bar
		oz dwt gr	oz dwt	oz dwt	grains	oz dwt gr
* 1	No. 1	Better 0-15-6	1003-0	1087-6	32	5-11-10
	2	ditto 1-1-0	1012-0	1111-4	36	6-6-12
2	3	ditto 1-0-12	1012-0	1108-17	29	5-1-21
	4	ditto 0-19-0	999-0	1087-12	29	5-0-14
3	5	ditto 0-16-0	1011-0	1086-10	25	4-7-18
	6	ditto 1-0-0	1002-15	1096-7	36	6-5-8
4	7	ditto 0-18-6	1014-15	1101-4	33	5-16-6
	8	ditto 0-18-6	1022-15	1109-17	37	6-11-9
5	9	ditto 0-18-12	1016-15	1104-11	36	6-7-2
	10	ditto 1-0-6	1007-5	1102-9	33	5-15-10
6	11	ditto 1-1-18	1019-5	1122-14	37	6-10-23
	12	ditto 1-0-6	991-15	1085-10	36	6-3-23
7	13	ditto 0-15-12	988-10	1060-0	37	6-6-23
	14	ditto 1-0-0	982-15	1074-10	28	4-15-13
8	15	ditto 1-3-12	986-15	1095-8	12	2-1-2
	16	ditto 0-18-0	1001-0	1085-2	48	8-6-20
9	17	ditto 1-0-12	1001-15	1097-12	36	6-5-5
	18	ditto 1-0-12	1001-5	1097-1	33	5-14-17
10	19.	ditto 1-1-0	1017-15	1117-10	37	6-10-18
	20	ditto 1-0-6	1008-0	1102-13	35	6-2-12
11 –	21	ditto 0-17-12	1004-10	1086-11	36	6-5-13
			21,104-10	23020-0		122-7-15

oz dwt
23,020-0 gives in fine metal — oz dwt gr 20543-13-0
deduct the fine gold — 122-7-15
20421-5-9

The 21 bars contains oz dwt 20,421-5 fine or oz dwt 22,882-16 Standd. Silver of the United States and also oz dwt gr 122-7-15 fine or oz dwt gr 133-10-3 Standd. gold

* these are the numbers of the boxes in which the bars were packed when withdrawn from the Mint for ship- to Europe — March 1829

3/88 323

Birmingham 16th Feby 1829

Invoice of 33 Casks Planchets, purchased on account and risk of Saml. Moore Esqr. Director of the Mint, Philadelphia and consigned to the care of Messrs. J & J. D. Thornely, Liverpool. —

P 16 33

		C	qr	lb	—
1	Copper Planchets	3	.	.	4
2	"	3	.	.	4
3	"	3	.	.	4
4	"	3	.	.	4
5	"	3	1	.	6
6	"	3	.	.	4
7	"	3	.	14	4
8	"	3	.	.	4
9	"	3	1	.	6
10	"	3	1	.	6
11	"	3	1	.	6
12	"	3	.	.	4
13	"	3	1	.	6
14	"	3	1	.	6
15	"	3	1	.	6
16	"	3	1	.	6
17	"	3	1	.	6
18	"	3	1	.	6
19	"	3	1	.	6
20	"	3	1	.	6
21	"	3	1	14	6
22	"	3	.	14	4
23	"	3	.	14	4
24	"	3	.	14	4
25	"	3	1	.	6
26	"	3	1	.	6
27	"	3	1	.	6
28	"	3	.	14	4
		83	3	9	.

Carried forward

	Copper Planchetts	88 3 9	brought forward		
29	. .	3 1 . 6			
30	. .	3 1 . 6			
31	. .	3 1 . 6			
32	. .	3 1 . 6			
33	. .	3 1 . 6			
		C 105 . 10 14	11770 ¾ lb @ 15¼	750 3 10½	
			Discount at 5 p Ton for reduction in price of copper	16 5 6	733 18 4½
33 Casks	@ 12/9		Freight to Liverpool 21/8	17 1 9	17 1 9
					751 . 1½
	Insurance on £750.0.0 @ 30/- p Ct			11 14 .	
	Export Duty on £751.0.0 @ 1/- p Ct			3 15 1	
	Policy 48/ Bills of Lading 3/6			2 11 6	
	Cartage Porterage & Storage			4 13 6	
	Dock & Town Dues			. 19 3	
	Commission forwarding 91/6		Postages 4/6	4 16 .	28 9 4
					£ 779 9 5½

$3464.33

Errors Excepted

Per Proc of Wm Harrold & Son
Fredk. W. Harrold.

Samuel Moore Esqr
Dear Sir

Birmingham February 16th 1829

We have the pleasure of annexing an invoice of planchets agreeable to your esteemed order and hope they will prove to your satisfaction both in quali[illegible]

We remain with respect
Dear Sir

Your obliged & obedient servants
Wm Harrold & Son
Per Fredk. W. Harrold

11770.75 lb Avoird.

14304 lb. 8 oz. 15.19 gr. Troy

at 7 cent. per ounce = $4904.47.8

+ Invoice of 58 Casks
by the Algonquin } 9368.33

Transferred to the Ledger
Lib. 90 by Journ. 50 } $14272.80.8

To the Director of the Mint of the United States
at Philadelphia

Sir

New York 11 Feby 1829

We hand you herewith a Bill of lading for 3 Bars of Silver, marked & numbered as p. foot which we have addressed to you by the Union Transportation line & for which please to hand [illegible] a Certificate of the mint of their amount in Dollars, in our name to our friends Messrs Vezin & Van Lengerke of your City, who will hand you the present and [illegible] who will, if necessary pay the freight of 3$50 stipulated in the bill of lading

We remain very respectfully
Your most ob Servants
De Rham Iselin & Moore

DN
No. 112 . One Silver bar, mex. Wt. 124 „ marcos .
113 One Do „ 121 . 3 .
114 . One Do „ 121 . 1 . 4 .
} value $3287 -

Calculations on
London & Paris
Assays of 21 Bars

Of the 21 Bars of gold with silver deposited Feb. 1829 by the U.S. Bk. 11 Bars were shipped to France and 10 to England —

The 11 Bars shipped to France had been found by Assay here & estimate thereon made to contain on an average 34 1/10 grains of fine gold in 12 ounces Troy, amounting to $ 1276.53

~~The 11 Bars assayed~~

The Assay of the same 11 Bars at Paris ~~to contain~~ the rate of 34 56/100 grains of fine gold in 12 ounces then reduced to our terms, ~~amounting~~ equal to $ 1293.75 ~~difference~~
making in 5760 grains a diff. in fineness of 46/100 of a grain ~~[illegible]~~

The fineness of the ~~above~~ silver of the above bars rejecting the gold was found by Assay here to be on an average oz. dw. grs. 11 = 12 = 15 fine in 12 ounces making the value $13789.31
and by the Paris Assay then reduced by proportion to our terms oz. dw. grs. 11 – 13 – 9 equal to $13835.42
making a difference of about the third of our bar tests in the silver — difference — 46.11

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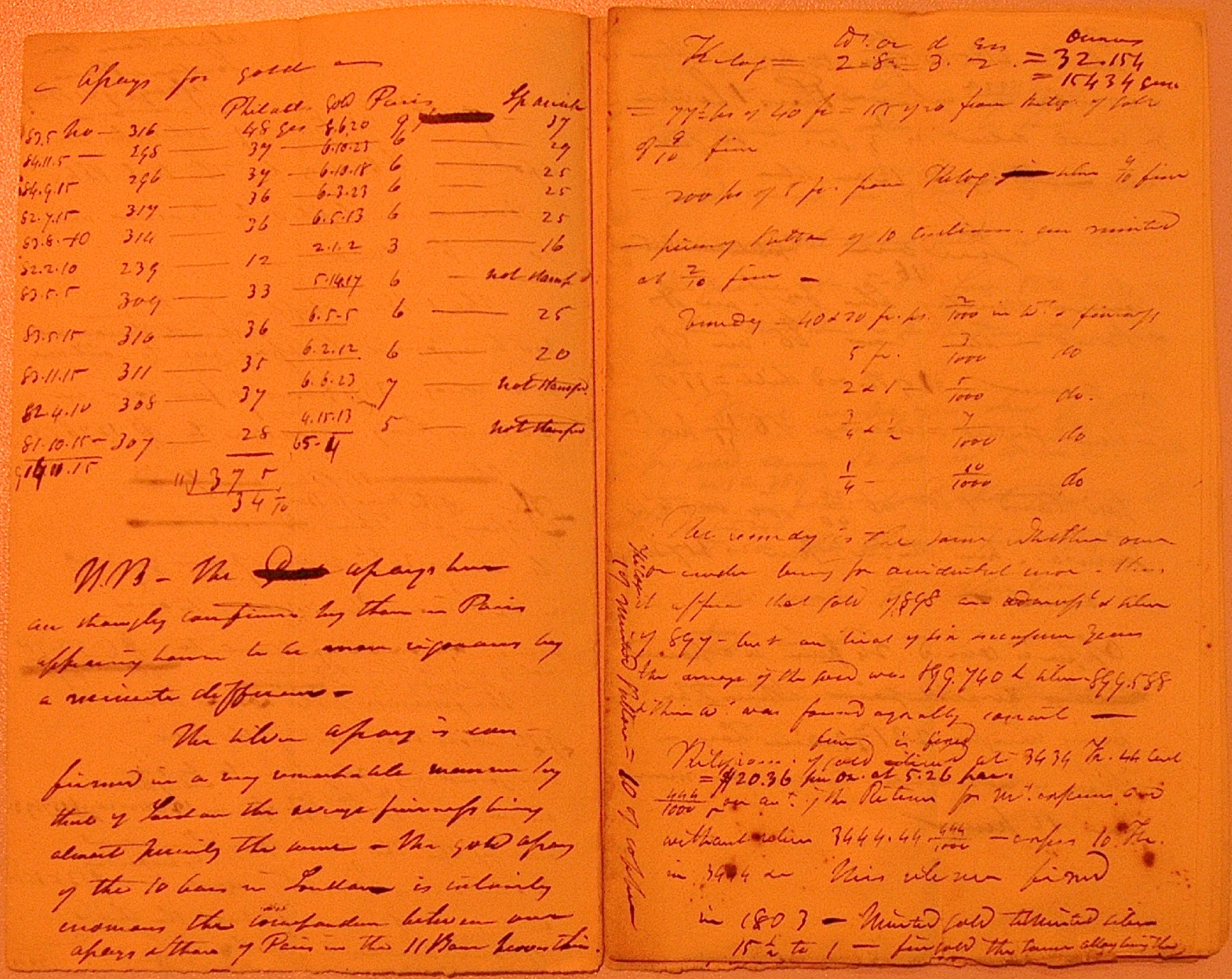


— Assays for gold —

		Philad.	gold Paris			Spanish
83.5 no —	316 —	48 gr —	8.6.20	9	—	37
84.11.5 —	298 —	37 —	6.10.23	6	—	29
84.9.15	296 —	34 —	6.10.18	6	—	25
		36 —	6.3.23	6	—	25
82.7.15	317 —	36	6.5.13	6	—	25
83.6.10	314 —		2.1.2	3	—	16
82.2.10	239 —	12	5.14.17	6	—	not stamped
83.5.5	309 —	33	6.5.5	6	—	25
83.5.15	316 —	36	6.2.12	6	—	20
83.11.15	311 —	35	6.6.23	7	—	not stamped
82.4.10	308 —	37	4.15.13	5	—	not stamped
81.10.15 —	307 —	28	65.4			
914.11.15		11)375				
		34 1/10				

N.B. — The ~~[illegible]~~ assays here are thoroughly confirmed by them in Paris appearing however to be more rigorous by a minute difference —

The silver assay is confirmed in a very remarkable manner by that of London the average fineness being almost precisely the same — The gold assay of the 10 bars in London is certainly erroneous the correspondence between our assays & those of Paris in the 11 Bars proves this.

Kilog = Dwt. oz d grs = 2. 8. 3. 2. = Ounces 32.154 = 15434 grs

= 77½ pcs of 40 fr = 155 of 20 fr from Kilog. of gold of 9/10 fine

200 pcs of 5 fr. from Kilog ~~[illegible]~~ silver 9/10 fine

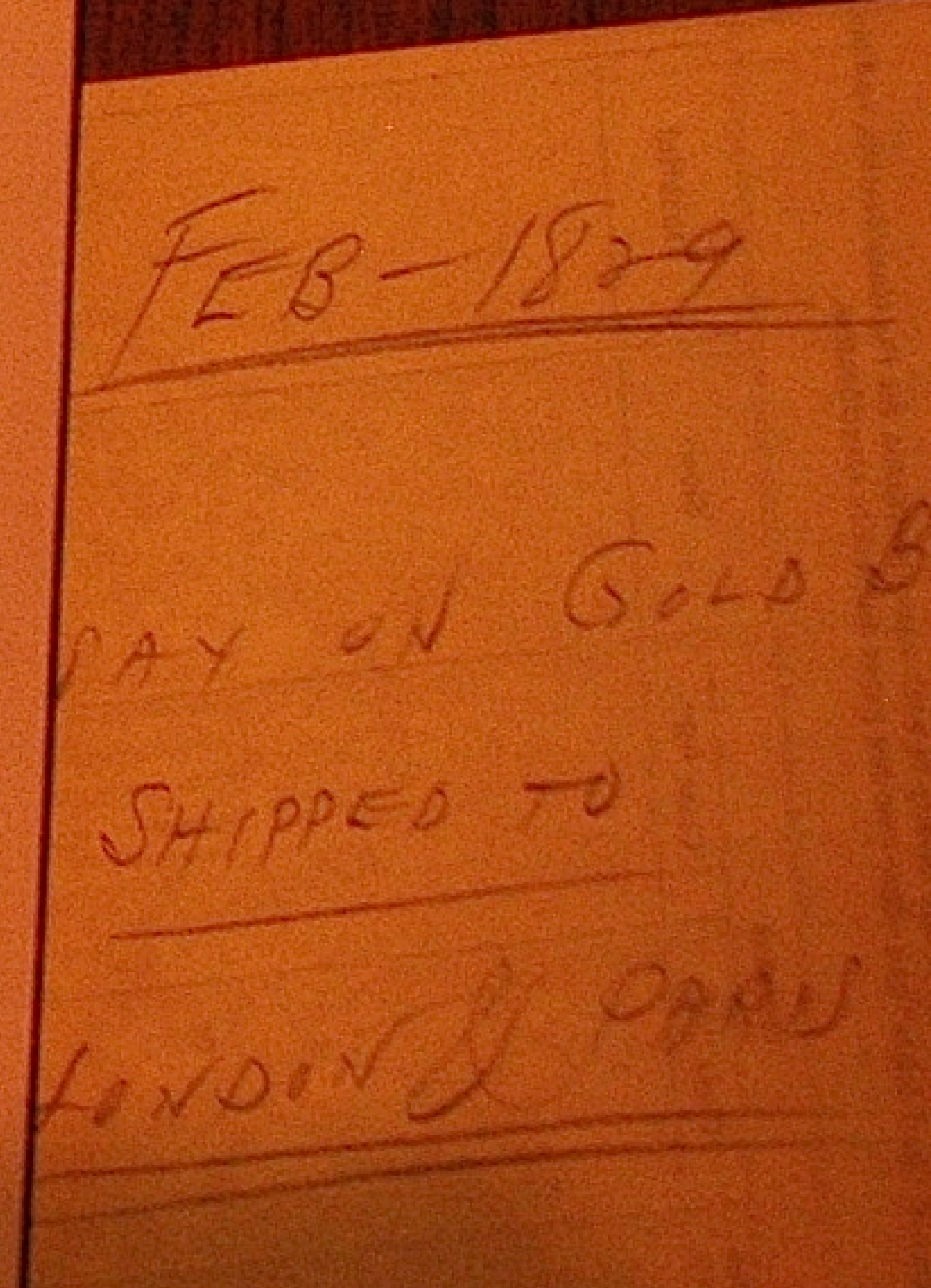
— pieces Billon of 10 centimes are minted at 2/10 fine —

Remedy — 40 & 20 fr. pcs. 2/1000 in wt. & fineness
5 fr. 3/1000 do
2 & 1 — 5/1000 do.
3/4 & 1/2 7/1000 do
1/4 — 10/1000 do

The remedy is the same whether over or under being for accidental error — Thus it appears that gold 898 are admissible & silver 897 — but on trial of six successive years the average of the gold was 899.740 & silver 899.588 & their wt. was found equally correct —

Kilog. of minted Silver = 10 [illegible]

Napoleon: of gold ~~coined~~ fine in grains at 3434 Fr. 44 cent = $20.36 per oz. at 5.26 francs. 444/1000 per act. of the Returns for mint expense, and without value 3444.44 444/1000 — or expense 10 Fr. in 3444 or This rule was fixed in 1803 — Minted gold to minted silver 15½ to 1 — fine gold the same alloying the



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83.5
84.11
84.9
82.7
83.6
82.2
83.1
83.
83.
82
81
91

Silv. — 218–88 $\frac{889}{1000}$ in an.t of Silver
2222.22 $\frac{222}{1000}$ mixture — Thus the silver
is much debased by $\frac{2}{3}$ per c.t or gold
nearly — and exactly 1/2 [illegible] than

London ~~[illegible] 1815~~
1816

Coinage minting silver 66/- per lb
of Pound — there were 66. viz 5/6
per ounce — 31 of the old shill. = 33 of
the new giving seigniorage of 6 $\frac{14}{31}$ per c.t

Gold ~~there~~ 1 lb 46 $\frac{29}{40}$ sov. or 44½
Guineas — hence the Mint price is 3.17.10½
per ounce —

Copper is coined 24 pence to a pound
~~troy~~ avoirdupois thus the
penny weighs 291⅔ grains Troy —
Copper is not a legal tender for more
than 12 pence

[illegible]

full wt. of sovereign = 5–3. 7¼ —
Guinea — 5–9 $\frac{27}{89}$ ~~$\frac{34}{89}$ $\frac{85}{89}$~~
~~Gold coins are allowed by law to pass~~

Gold coins are allowed by law to
pass under the above full wt. — thus
the guinea at 5–8 Sov. 5–2¾ grs.
& their divisions in prop.n are obligatory —
due. —

Mint remedy by law of 1815
or 1 in 480
for gold coins 12 grs. per lb in wt. and
or 1 in 384
$\frac{1}{16}$ car. in fineness — silver 1 dwt. per lb
or 1 in 240
in wt. & the same in fineness

The remedy for copper coin —
$\frac{1}{40}$ in wt. —

Troy grain distilled rain water

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Fine gold to fine silver in France
is estimated at 15.5 for 1. estimating
each at Mint price viz 222.222 & 3444.444 without retenue
This is 3 1/3 ~~above~~ 2 1/3 per cent above our valuation
of gold — but if estimated at the
am^t. rec^d. from the Mint in coins
from a Kilogram of fine gold & fine
silver viz 218.885 & 3434.444 the
proportion is 15.69 for 1 which is 4 6/10
per cent above our valuation & this
it would seem must be the ratio in the
market when exchange is at par with
the surrounding nations

apears & there of

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Kelley
Notes from —

The 10 bars shipped to England
had been found by assay here to con-
tain on an average 32 6/10 grains of
fine gold in 12 ounces amounting
~~to~~ per ultimate here — $1096.94

The same 10 bars on being
assayed in London were reported
after melting the bars slightly [illegible]
to contain on an average 23 4/10
grains of gold in 12 Oz. making
by proportion —— 787.40
309.54

The fineness of the silver of
the same 10 bars was found by
assay here, rejecting the gold
to be Oz. d. gr. 11.11.18½ on an average weight = $12614.00
~~[illegible]~~ making 10932 oz. 14 dw. standard and on being assayed
in London the fineness, rejec-
ting the ~~silver~~ gold also found to
~~[illegible]~~ be 11-11-18 ~~[illegible]~~ nearly
on an average
~~[illegible]~~
~~[illegible]~~ $ ~~$12614.00~~
making 10519 oz. 18 dw. Br. stand. = 10900 oz. 12 dw.
of our standard — difference from the

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result here 32 oz. 2 dw — H 37.04 — less than the estimate

~~altho the fineness by the London~~

~~assay results as by the assay here~~

~~the standard wt by the London~~

~~calculation when reduced to one~~

~~thousand parts only 10486 oz.~~

~~Whereas our assay calculation~~

~~by the assays here be taken~~ } ~~10491 oz~~

~~from which deduct the~~

~~gold on Dine the~~ — } ~~5611~~

~~being here 1132 oz.~~ — ~~11434.9~~

.46 ~~[illegible]~~
[illegible] 5760

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SAY ON GOLD

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LONDON & PARIS

Mint of the U States
Philada Feby 9. 1829

Dear Sir,

Since my last [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] we have [illegible] available [illegible] of [illegible] this Mint also [illegible] a Statement [illegible] to say [illegible]

[illegible] separation of the gold [illegible] [illegible] through the U States Bank [illegible] the gold contained in it [illegible] is estimated to be worth about $2000. I think it due to the occasion to notice this fact as [illegible] illustrating [illegible] the [illegible] on the [illegible] Mint Bill during the ~~last~~ present session.

[illegible] Mr. Biddle [illegible] recd a letter this morning [illegible] from Mr. Cambreleng in which he adverts to [illegible] your Bill in [illegible] terms of our impression of his friendly wishes, and of his belief that it will [illegible] be [illegible] by the House.

Tomorrow we shall deliver to the U. States Bank [illegible] [illegible] about [illegible] thousand dollars [illegible] in [illegible] eagles [illegible]

~~the first~~ [illegible] premium Mint

Uniformity and [illegible] speed

bearing a margin [illegible] of the surface

having a protecting [illegible] raised by milling

[illegible] is one important step

~~towards a more perfect [illegible]~~ in the

improvement of [illegible] coinage. When

~~[illegible]~~ have you [illegible] the Mint have adopted

~~[illegible]~~

~~[illegible]~~ also in the dismes

but hitherto in no other of our

coins. I hope [illegible] to see it in all

of them.

Yours truly

Honᵇˡᵉ John Sergeant

Saml Moore

To

Mr. Sergeant

Feb. 9. 1829

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Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 9, 1829.

Moore, Samuel, Director,
to
Hon. John Sergeant, Chairman,
Committee on the Mint,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir

Since my last and very recently we have received another deposit of silver containing a valuable proportion of gold. Such occurrances formerly very rare are now becoming frequent, and I have the mortification to say this deposit must also be withdrawn and exported for the purpose of effecting the separation of the gold or a serious loss be incurred by coining at our Mint. It comes through the United States Bank. The gold contained in it is estimated to be worth about $2000.00 I think it due to the occasion to value this fact as illustrating the expedience of acting on the Mint Bill during the present session.

Mr. Biddle received a letter this morning from Mr. Cambering in which he   to your Bill in terms at once impressive of his friendly wishes and of his belief that it will be   by the House.

To-morrow we shall deliver to the United States Bank about eight thousand dollars in quarter eagles to be forwarded to Washington the first specimen of gold coins issued from our Mint having a protecting border raised by milling forming a margin outside of the   .

This is one important step in the improvement of our coinage. It has since your visit to the Mint been adopted , also in the dismes but hitherto in no other of our coins -. I hope to use it in all of them.

Yours truly,
SAMUEL M MOORE

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Moore, Samuel, Director,
to
Hon. M. Dickerson,
Washington, D.C.

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 19 , 1829.
NOTE: This letter was mailed in Washington, on Feb. 19, 1829 and addressed to Dr. Moore, Director of the Mint, Phila.

Dear Sir

Mr. Sergeant informs me by letter received this morning that an item of the Appropriation Bill has been mentioned by the House granting $120,000.00 for the extension of the Mint.

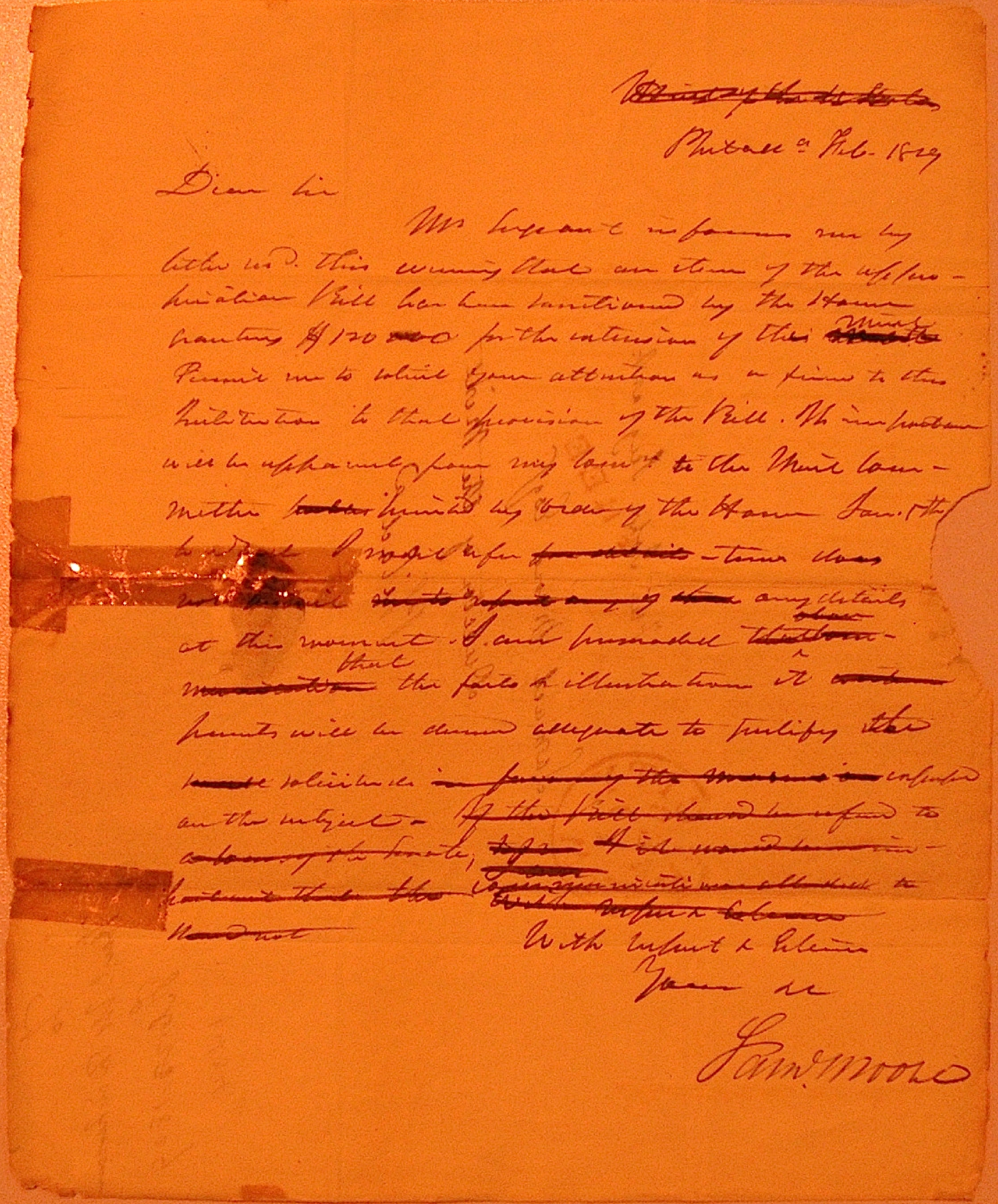
Permit me to solicit your attention as a friend to this Institution to that provision of the Bill. The importance will be apparent from my communication to the Mint Committee printed by order of the House, Jan. 5th to which I might refer - time does not permit any details at this moment. I am persuaded that the facts and illustrations it presents will be deemed adequate to justify the solicitude expressed on the subject.

With respect and E steem,

Yours , etc.,

SAMUEL MOORE

This letter is an original communication
and is signed by Samuel Moore.



~~Mint of the U. States~~

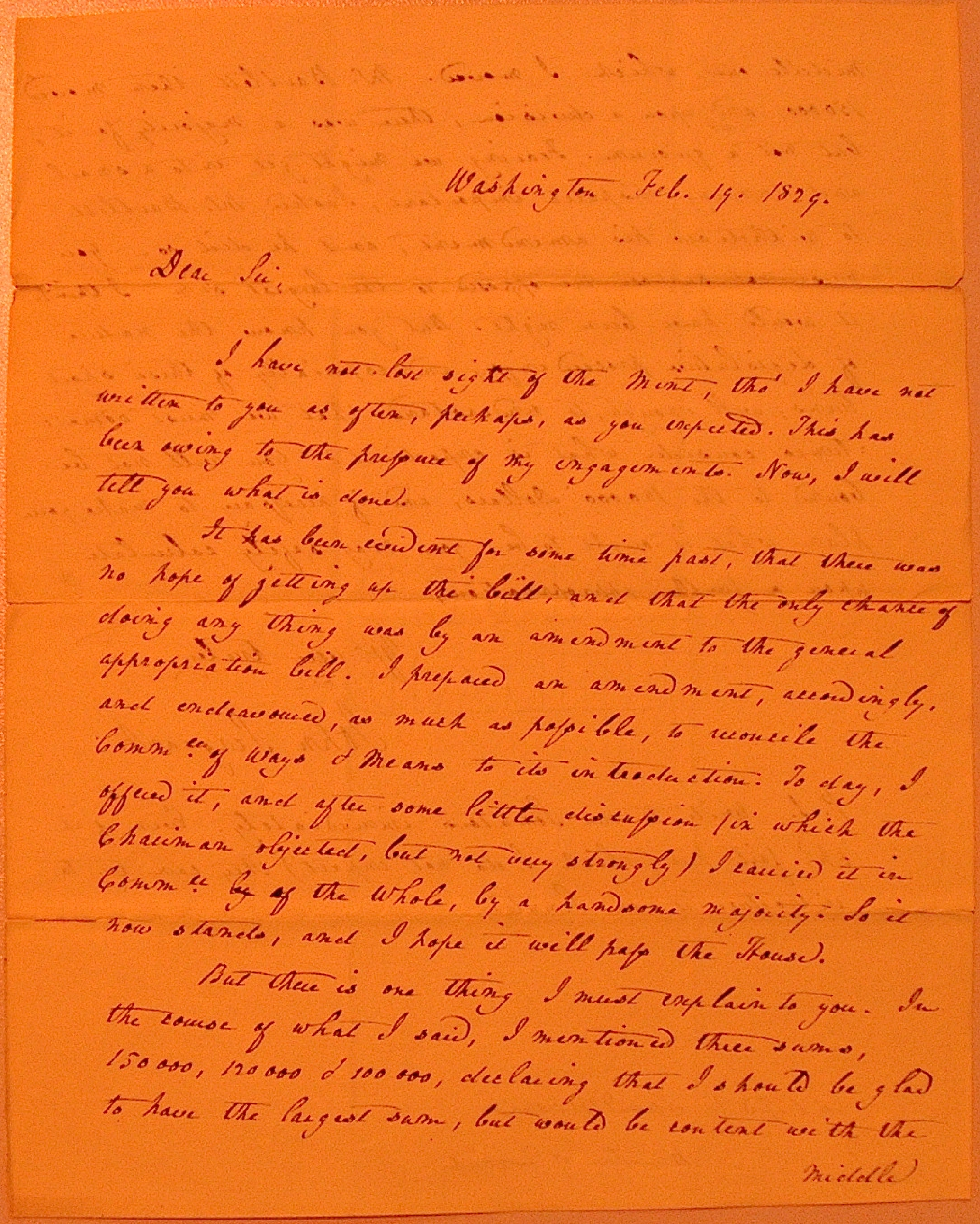
Philada. 2d Feb. 1829

Dear Sir

Mr Sergeant informs me by letter recd. this evening that an item of the appropriation Bill has been sanctioned by the House granting $120,000 for the extension of the ~~[illegible]~~ Mint. Permit me to solicit your attention as a friend to this Institution to that provision of the Bill. Its importance will be apparent from my Report to the Mint Committee ~~[illegible]~~ printed by order of the House Jan. 1829 [illegible] I beg to refer ~~for details~~ – time does not permit ~~me to repeat any of these~~ any details at this moment. I am persuaded ~~that [illegible]~~ that the facts & illustrations it ~~contains~~ presents will be deemed adequate to justify the ~~[illegible]~~ solicitude ~~in pressing this measure in~~ expressed on the subject. ~~If the Bill should be referred to a Comm. of the Senate, [illegible] it would be [illegible] important that the [illegible] should be [illegible] to [illegible] should not~~

With respect & esteem
Yours &c

Saml. Moore



Washington Feb. 19. 1829.

Dear Sir,

I have not lost sight of the Mint, tho' I have not written to you as often, perhaps, as you expected. This has been owing to the preſsure of my engagements. Now, I will tell you what is done.

It has been evident for some time past, that there was no hope of getting up the bill, and that the only chance of doing any thing was by an amendment to the general appropriation bill. I prepared an amendment, accordingly, and endeavoured, as much as poſsible, to reconcile the Comm.ee of Ways & Means to its introduction. To day, I offered it, and after some little discuſsion (in which the Chairman objected, but not very strongly) I carried it in Comm.ee ~~by~~ of the Whole, by a handsome majority. So it now stands, and I hope it will paſs the House.

But there is one thing I must explain to you. In the course of what I said, I mentioned three sums, 150000, 120000 & 100000, declaring that I should be glad to have the largest sum, but would be content with the

middle

middle one, which I moved. Mr. Bartlett then moved 150000, and upon a division, there was a majority for it, but not a quorum. Fearing we might get into a snarl, and deeming dispatch important, I asked Mr. Bartlett to withdraw his amendment, and he did so. You must not suppose me opposed to the largest sum. I think it would have been right. But you know the nature of Legislative proceedings, and especially of these short terms, well enough, to understand that we must some:times consider what is expedient. You will not be bound to the 120000 Dollars, and, if necessary to make your plan what it ought to be, you may safely calculate upon a further appropriation.

Yr. very truly

John Sergeant.

P.S. Write to our Senators immediately. Even if it shd. fail here (which I do not expect) they can try to introduce it in Senate.

addressed to Saml Moore

Director of the Mint

Mint of the U States
Philadel. Feb. ~~24~~
23. 1829

Sir –

I learn by a letter from Mr Sergeant recd this morning that the sum of $120 000 is ~~ap~~ contained in the Genl. Appr. Bill for an extension of this Establishment. Permit me to ask your attention to this ~~provision~~ ~~in~~ item when the Bill is before the Senate. The facts in respect of expediency of this ~~[illegible]~~ provision are given in detail in my Comm. of Dec. 23d to the Comm. on the Mint, published by order of the House Jany. 5. and to the document I must ask leave ~~to~~ respectfully to refer you – ~~the being printed~~ They will ~~be~~ I am persuaded be found ~~[illegible]~~ worthy of consideration & adequate to ~~sustain~~ justify my solicitude for the measure recommended.

Very respectfully
Yours &c
Saml Moore

Hon. I. D. Barnard
Senator U.S.

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Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 23, 1829

Moore, Samuel, Director,
to
Hon. J. D. Bernard,
Senate of the United States,
Washington, D.C.

Sir

I learn by a letter from Mr. Sergeant received this morning that the sum of $120,000.00 is contained in the General Appropriation Bill for an extension of this establishment.

Permit me to ask your attention to this item when the Bill is before the Senate. The facts in support of expediency of the provision are given in detail in my communication of Dec. 23rd to the Committee on the Mint, published by order of the House January 5th and must ask respectfully to refer you.

My will, I am persuaded, is found worthy of consideration and adequate to justify my solicitude for the measure recommended.

Very respectfully ,

Yours etc.,

SAMUEL MOORE

Philada Feb. 25th 1829

Dear Sir

Your favours of the 19th & 20, came to hand only this afternoon — The latter confirming the expectation you gave me in the former that the item in the Appropriation for ~~[illegible]~~ extending of the Mint Estabt. would be retained by the House. I congratulate you ~~most cordially~~ on ~~[illegible]~~ this ~~[illegible]~~ pleasing result & ~~[illegible]~~ feel sensibly the kind terms in which you communicate it — ~~[illegible]~~ That you and Mr Ingham have been associated in accomplishing it is ~~[illegible]~~ peculiarly gratifying. I write by this Mail to our Senators & a line to Col. Johnston and Mr. Dickerson — ~~[illegible] your & Mr Ingham will [illegible] to the Members of Senate will [illegible] more influence~~, I cannot go into now into details but ~~[illegible]~~ must refer to the communications made to your Committee for facts ~~illustrations~~ — ~~[illegible]~~ Your personal ~~influ-~~ ~~[illegible]~~ influence with that of Mr. Ingham, to whom I write also ~~[illegible]~~ will still be I trust ~~[illegible]~~ be counted, ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ — On this ~~much~~ will ~~[illegible]~~ depend the final issue.

Very truly
Yours Saml Moore

1829

Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 23, 1829.

Moore, Samuel, Director,
to
Hon. John Sergeant,
Washington, D.C.

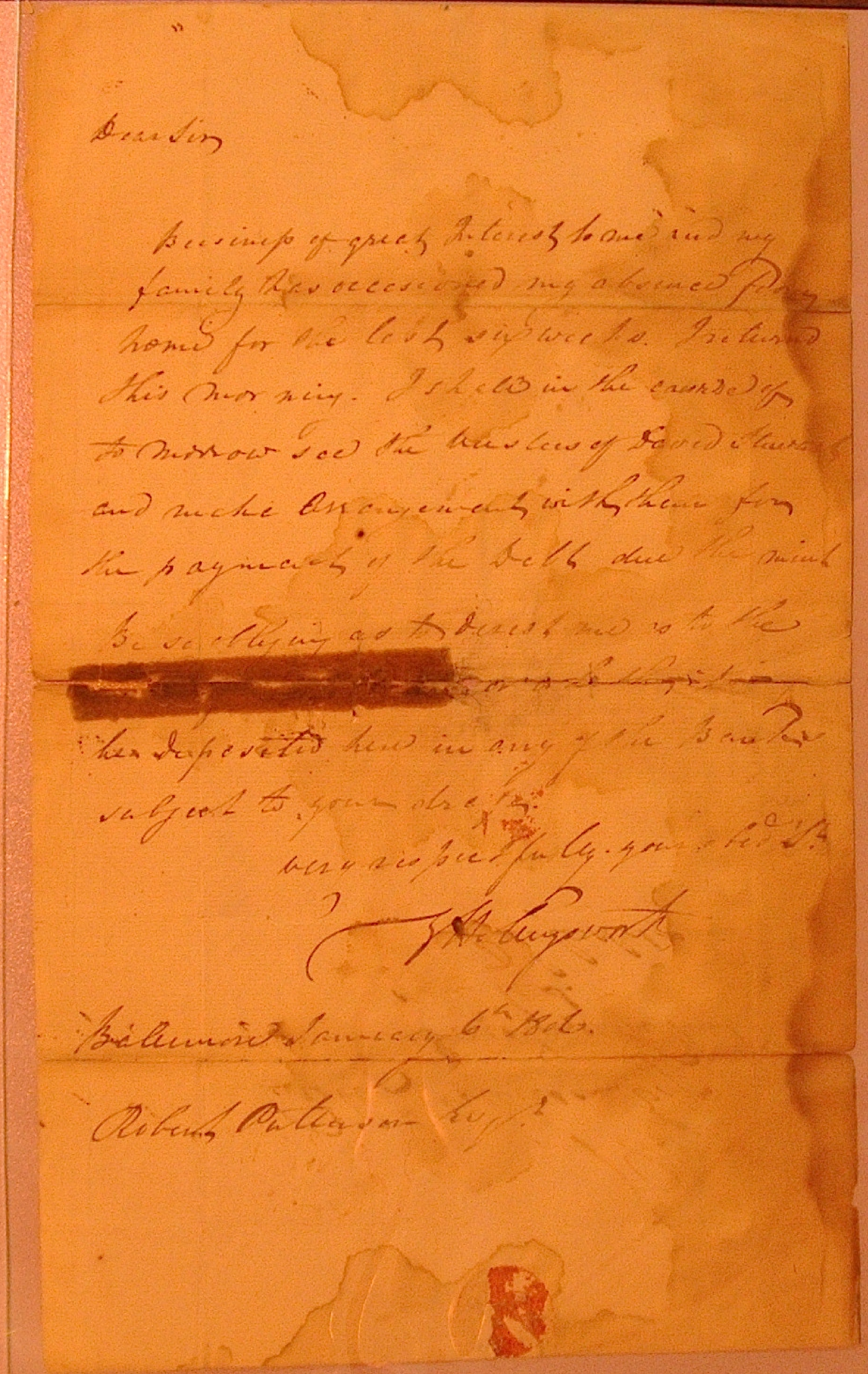
Dear sir

Your favor of the 19th & 20, came to hand only this afternoon. The latter confirming the expectation you gave me in the form that the item in the appropriations for extending the Mint Establishment would be sustained by the House. I congratulate you on this pleasing result and feel SENSIBLY the HARD TERMS in which you communicate it. That you and Mr. Ingham have been associated in accomplishing it is peculiarly gratifying. I write by this Mail to our Senators and a line to Col. ~~Wharton~~ JOHNSTON and Mr. Dickerson.

I can not enter now into details but must refer to the communication made to your Committee for facts. Your personal influence with that of Mr. Ingham to whom I wrote also will still be needed - on this will depend the final issue.

Very truly yours,

SAMUEL MOORE



Dear Sir

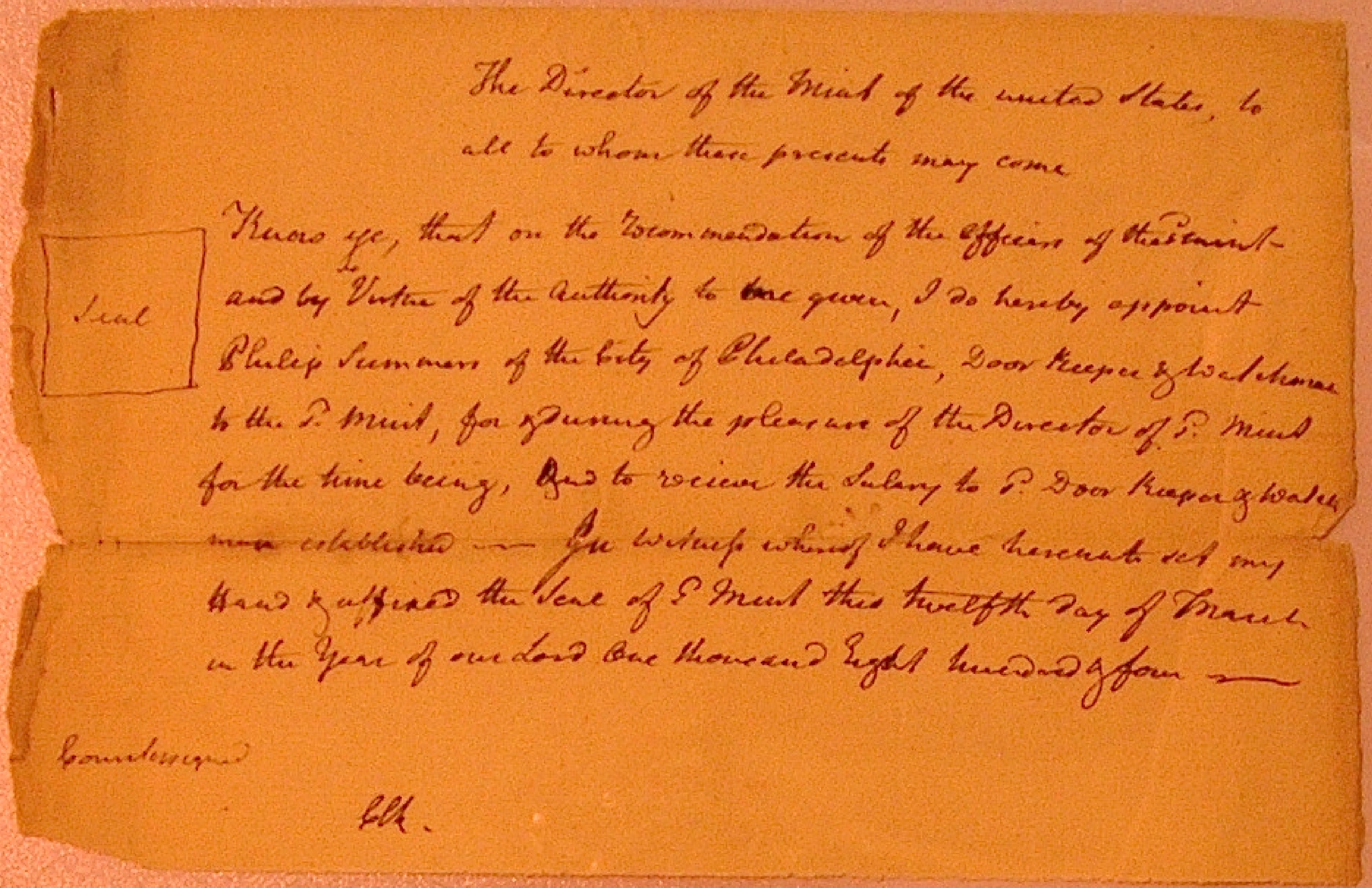
Business of great Interest to me and my family has occasioned my absence from home for the last six weeks. I returned this morning. I shall in the course of to morrow see the trustees of David Stewart and make arrangements with them for the payment of the debt due the mint

Be so obliging as to direct me as to the [redacted] [illegible] has deposited here in any of the Banks subject to your draft.

very respectfully your obed^t S^t

Baltimore January 6^th 1816.

Robert Patterson Esq^r



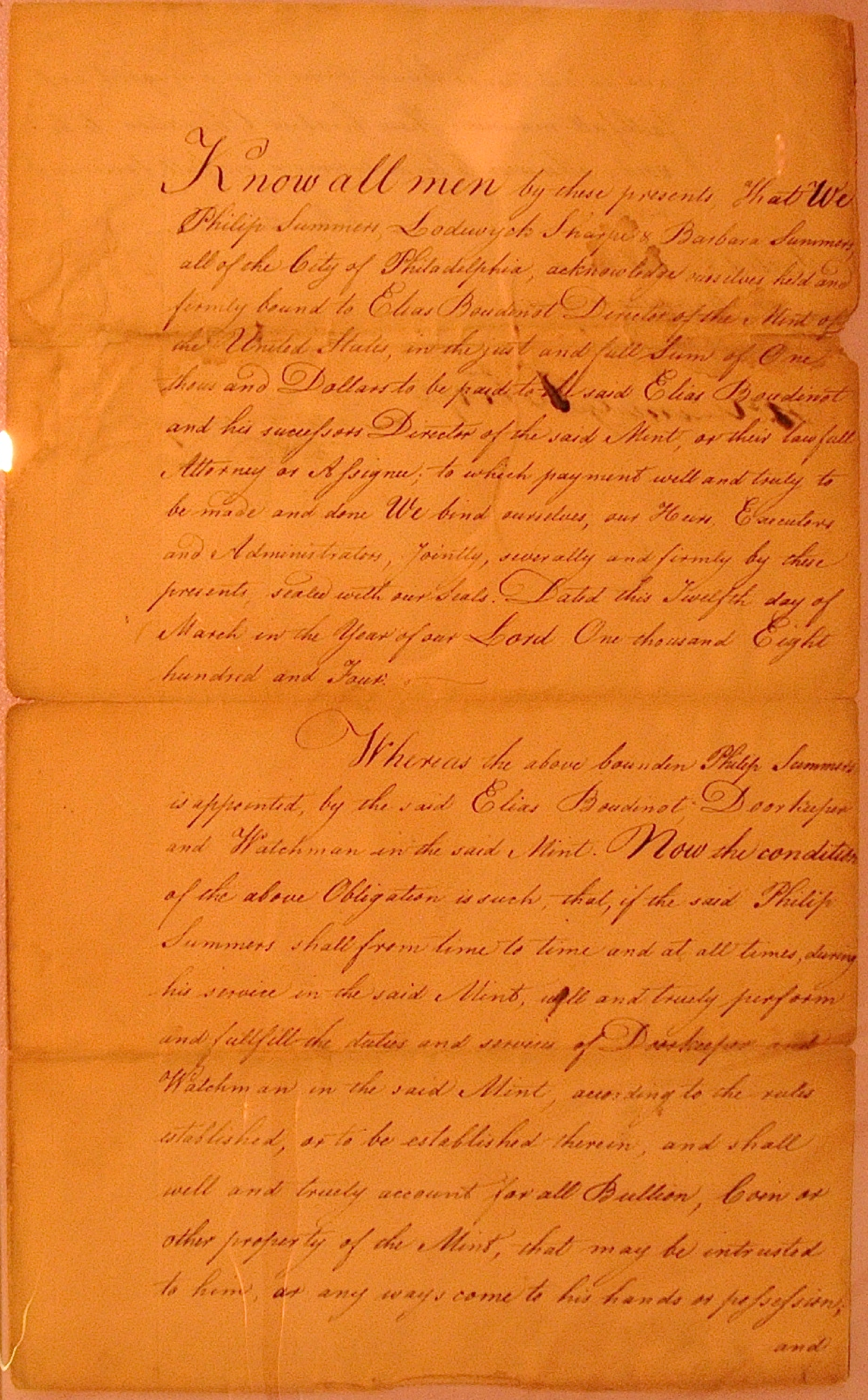
The Director of the Mint of the united States, to
all to whom these presents may come

Seal

Know ye, that on the Recommendation of the Officers of the said Mint and by Virtue of the Authority to me given, I do hereby appoint Philip Summers of the City of Philadelphia, Door Keeper & Watchman to the sd Mint, for & during the pleasure of the Director of sd Mint for the time being, And to receive the Salary to sd Door Keeper & Watchman established — In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand & affixed the Seal of sd Mint this twelfth day of March in the Year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred & four —

Countersigned

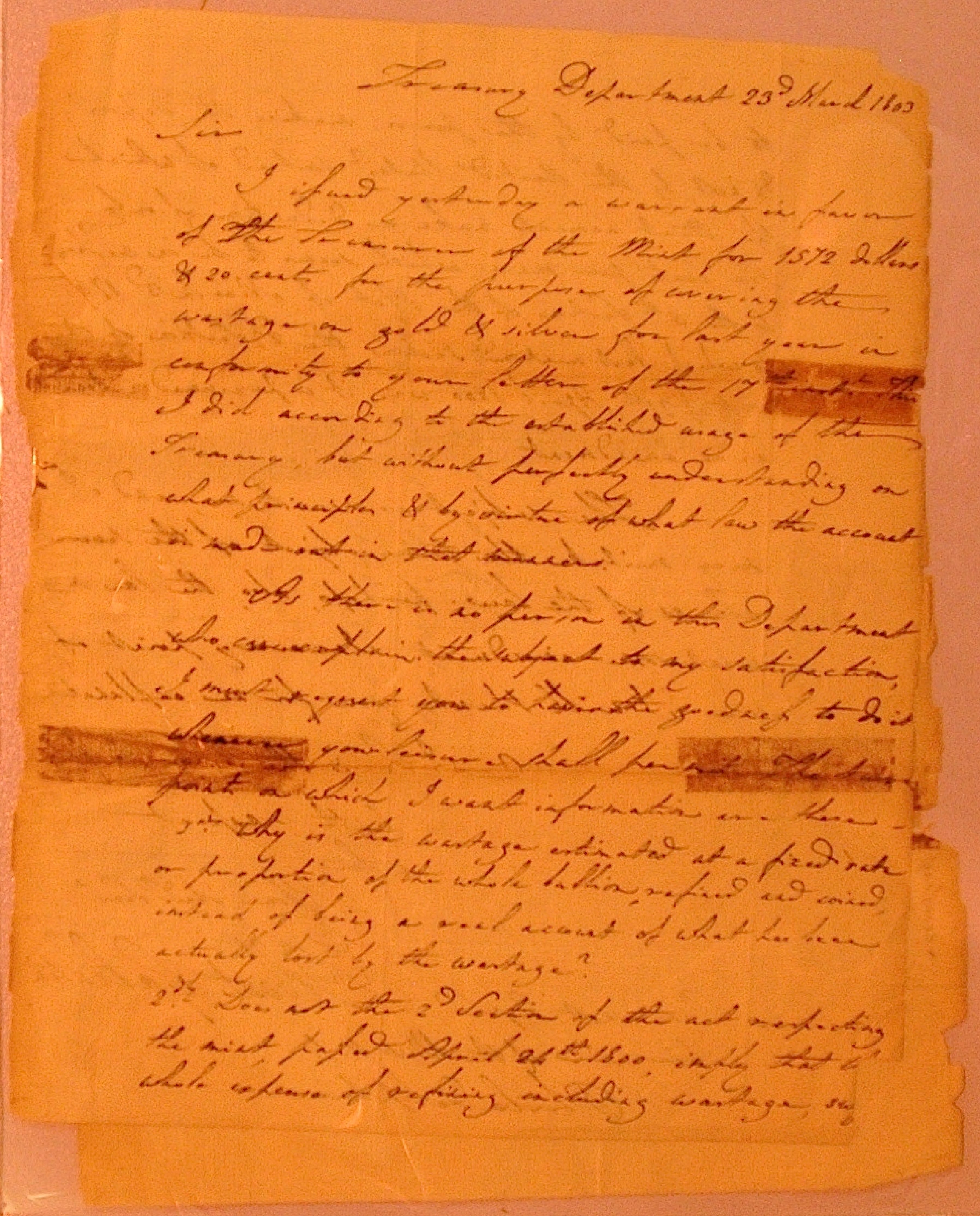
Clk.



Know all men by these presents That We Philip Summers, Loduwyck Snayre & Barbara Summers all of the City of Philadelphia, acknowledge ourselves held and firmly bound to Elias Boudinot Director of the Mint of the United States, in the just and full Sum of One thousand Dollars to be paid to the said Elias Boudinot and his succeſsors Director of the said Mint, or their lawfull Attorney or Aſsignee; to which payment well and truly to be made and done We bind ourselves, our Heirs, Executors and Administrators, Jointly, severally and firmly by these presents, sealed with our Seals. Dated this Twelfth day of March in the Year of our Lord One thousand Eight hundred and Four.

Whereas the above bounden Philip Summers is appointed, by the said Elias Boudinot Doorkeeper and Watchman in the said Mint. Now the conditi of the above Obligation is such, that, if the said Philip Summers shall from time to time and at all times, during his service in the said Mint, well and truly perform and fullfill the duties and services of Doorkeeper and Watchman in the said Mint, according to the rules established, or to be established therein, and shall well and truly account for all Bullion, Coin or other property of the Mint, that may be entrusted to him, or any ways come to his hands or poſseſsion;

and



Treasury Department 23d March 1803

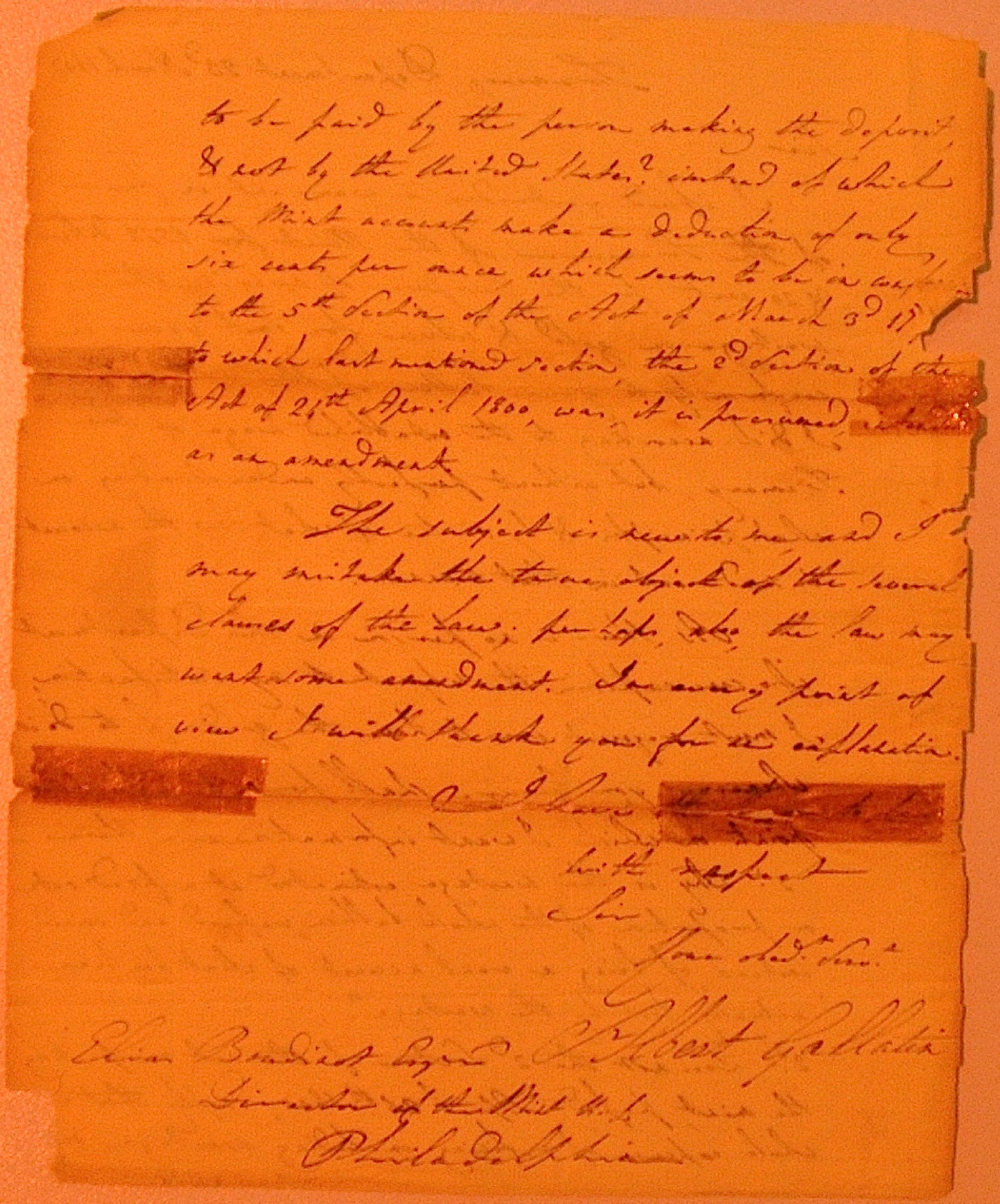
Sir

I issued yesterday a warrant in favor of the Treasurer of the Mint for 1572 dollars & 20 cents for the purpose of covering the wastage on gold & silver for last year in conformity to your letter of the 17th instant. This I did according to the established usage of the Treasury, but without perfectly understanding on what principles & by virtue of what law the account is made out in that manner.

As there is no person in this Department who can explain the subject to my satisfaction, I must request you to have the goodness to do it whenever your leisure shall permit. The two points on which I want information are these

1st Why is the wastage estimated at a fixed rate or proportion of the whole bullion, refined and coined, instead of being a real account of what has been actually lost by the wastage?

2d Does not the 2d Section of the act respecting the mint passed April 24th 1800, imply that the whole expense of refining including wastage, su



to be paid by the person making the deposit, & not by the United States; instead of which the Mint accounts make a deduction of only six cents per ounce, which seems to be in conf to the 5th Section of the Act of March 3d 17 to which last mentioned section, the 2d Section of the Act of 24th April 1800, was, it is presumed [illegible] as an amendment.

The subject is new to me and I may mistake the true object of the second clauses of the law; perhaps, also, the law may want some amendment. In every point of view I will thank you for an explanation.

And I have [illegible]

with respect

Sir

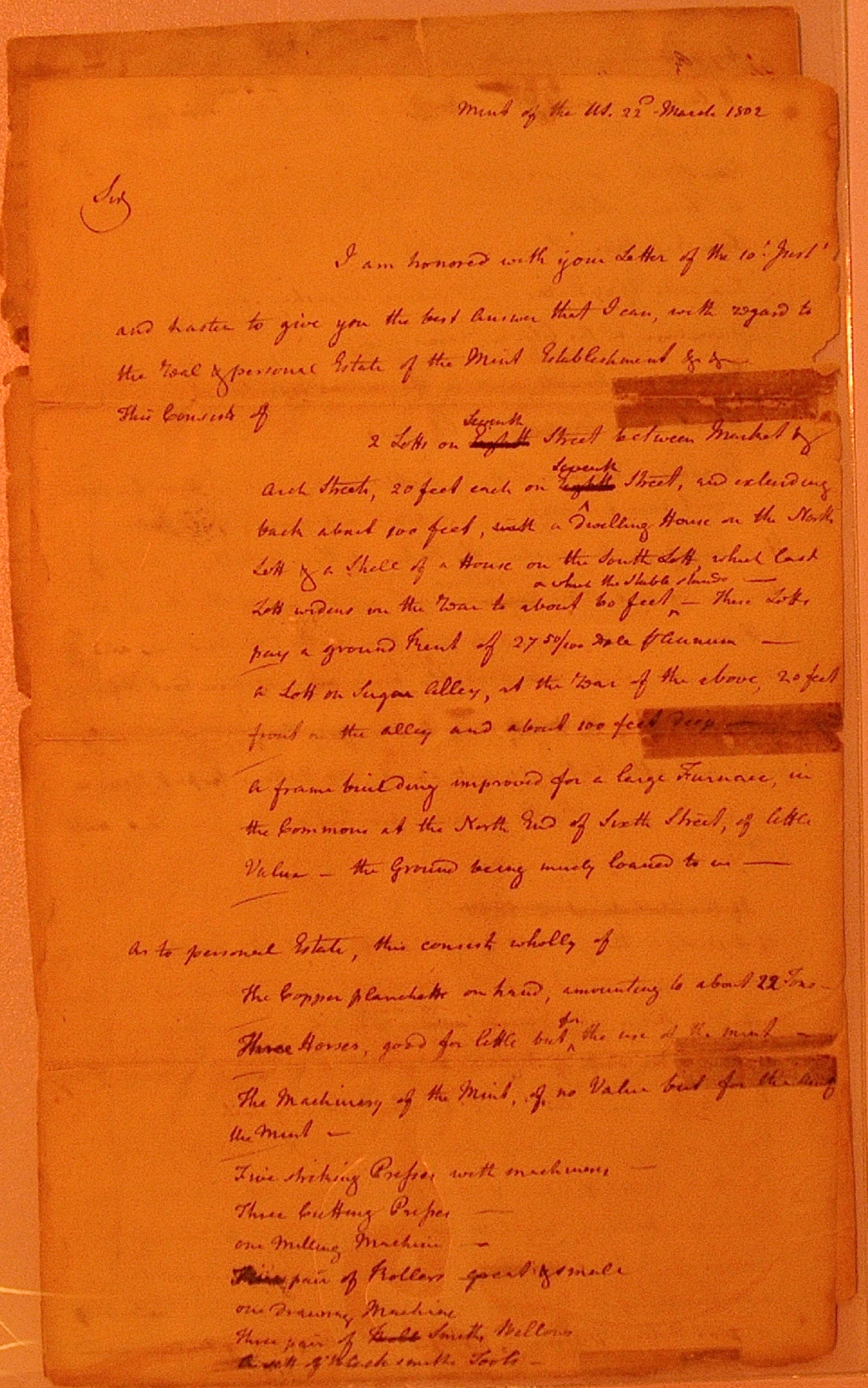
Your obedt. Servt.

Albert Gallatin

Elias Boudinot Esqre

Director of the Mint U.S.

Philadelphia



Mint of the U.S. 22d March 1802

Sir

I am honored with your Letter of the 10th Inst and hasten to give you the best Answer that I can, with regard to the real & personal Estate of the Mint Establishment &c &c

This Consists of

2 Lotts on ~~Eighth~~ Seventh Street between Market & Arch Streets, 20 feet each on ~~Eighth~~ Seventh Street, and extending back about 100 feet, with a Dwelling House on the North Lott & a Shell of a House on the South Lott, which last Lott widens on the rear to about 60 feet, on which the Stable stands — These Lotts pay a ground Rent of 27 50/100 Dolls p annum —

a Lott on Sugar alley, at the rear of the above, 20 feet front on the alley and about 100 feet deep —

A frame building improved for a large Furnace, in the Commons at the North End of Sixth Street, of little Value — the Ground being merely loaned to us —

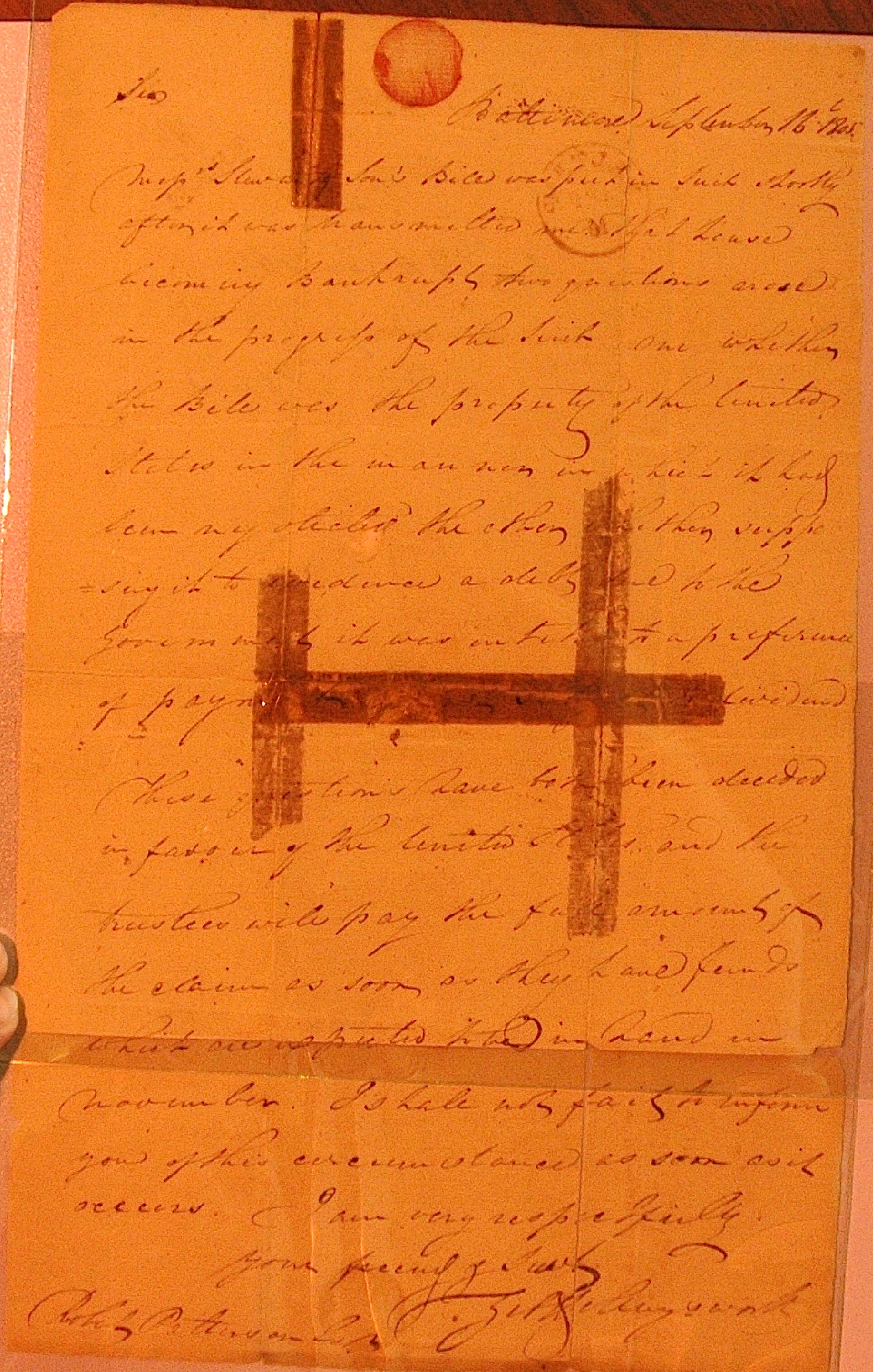
As to personal Estate, this consists wholly of

The Copper planchetts on hand, amounting to about 22 Tons —

~~Three~~ Horses, good for little but for the use of the Mint —

The Machinery of the Mint, of no Value but for the use of the Mint —

Five striking Presses with machinery —
Three Cutting Presses —
one Milling Machine —
~~Three~~ pair of Rollers great & small
one Drawing Machine
Three pair of ~~Gold~~ Smiths Bellows
A sett of Blacksmiths Tools —



Sir

Baltimore September 16th 1805

Messrs. Stew[illegible] Sons Bill was put in suit shortly after it was transmitted me. That house becoming Bankrupt, two questions arose in the progress of the suit. One whether the Bill was the property of the United States in the manner in which it had been negotiated, the other whether supposing it to evidence a debt due to the Government it was entitled to a preference of paym[illegible] dividend.

These questions have both been decided in favour of the United States, and the trustees will pay the full amount of the claim as soon as they have funds which are expected to be in hand in November. I shall not fail to inform you of this circumstance as soon as it occurs. I am very respectfully

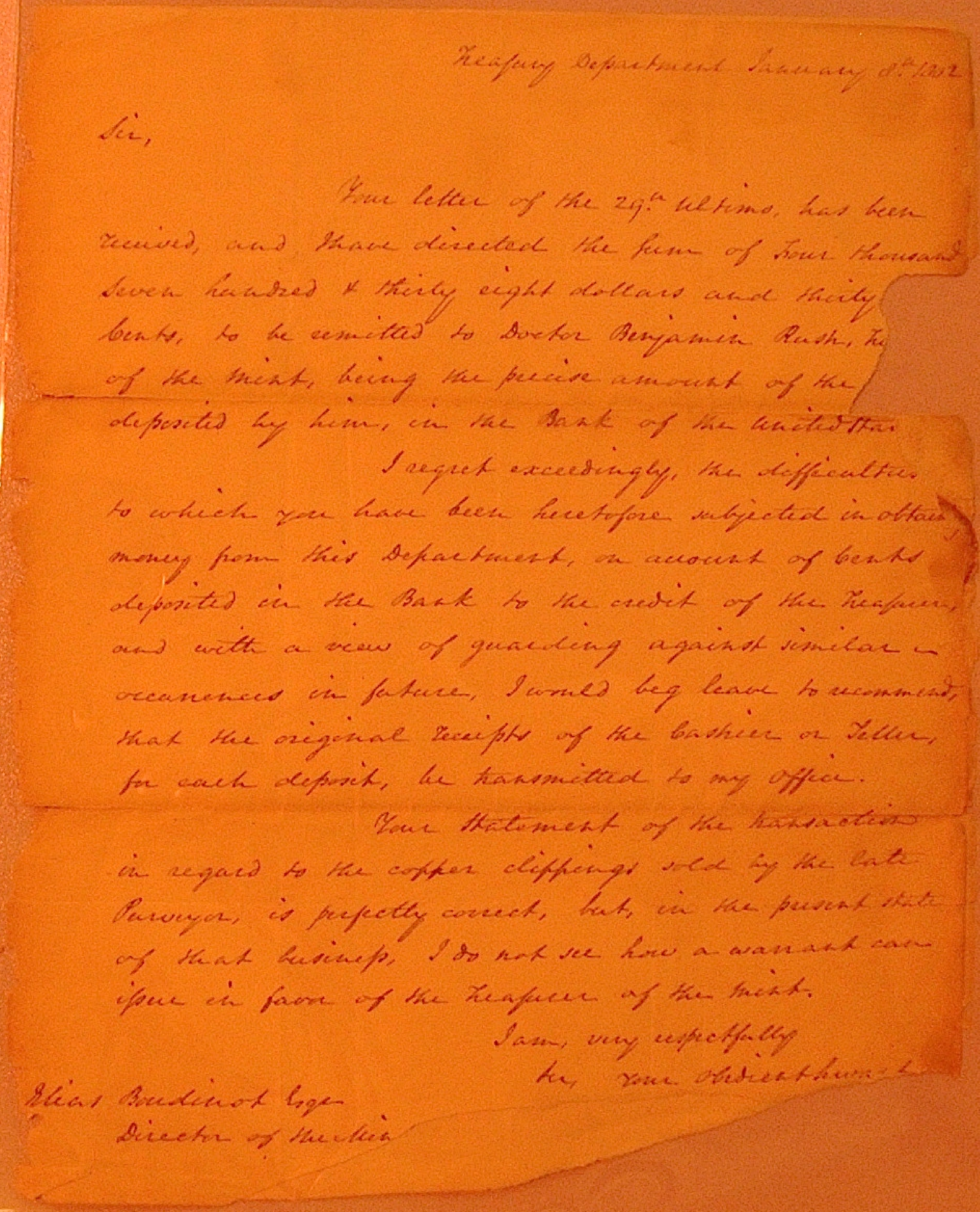
your friend & Servt

Robert Patterson Esq. Z. Hollingsworth

by any means be provided, a greater quantity of Coin could be ~~made~~ annually made with the same Expence ~~It is the absolute~~ alth I am ~~convinced~~ individually of opinion that its present Specie of about 500,000 Dollars annu in addition to the Current Coin of the union, is sufficient for the pres welfare of the united States —— It is the absolute necessity of strict & regular Checques, thro out the whole Establishment, that makes the Expence of the Mint so great, and this cannot be dispensed with, under ~~any Modification that can be proposed~~ [illegible] no given Circumstance, can the necessary Coin of the united States be produced with safety to the Government, at a much less Expence than it is at present, and I believe that in the Consideration of the Subject, it would not be safe, to estimate the Expence at any rate, much under 20000 Dollars —— In ~~the~~ [illegible]

In the above estimate of expences, it should be remembered that the Copper Cents may produce a profit of ~~[illegible]~~ 5000 Dollars p Annum, that ought to be Credited out of the Expenditures of the Mint in future which reduces the amou considerably ——

or 18000 Dollars p Annum, tho' if a larger quantity of Bullion could



Treaſury Department January 8th 1802

Sir,

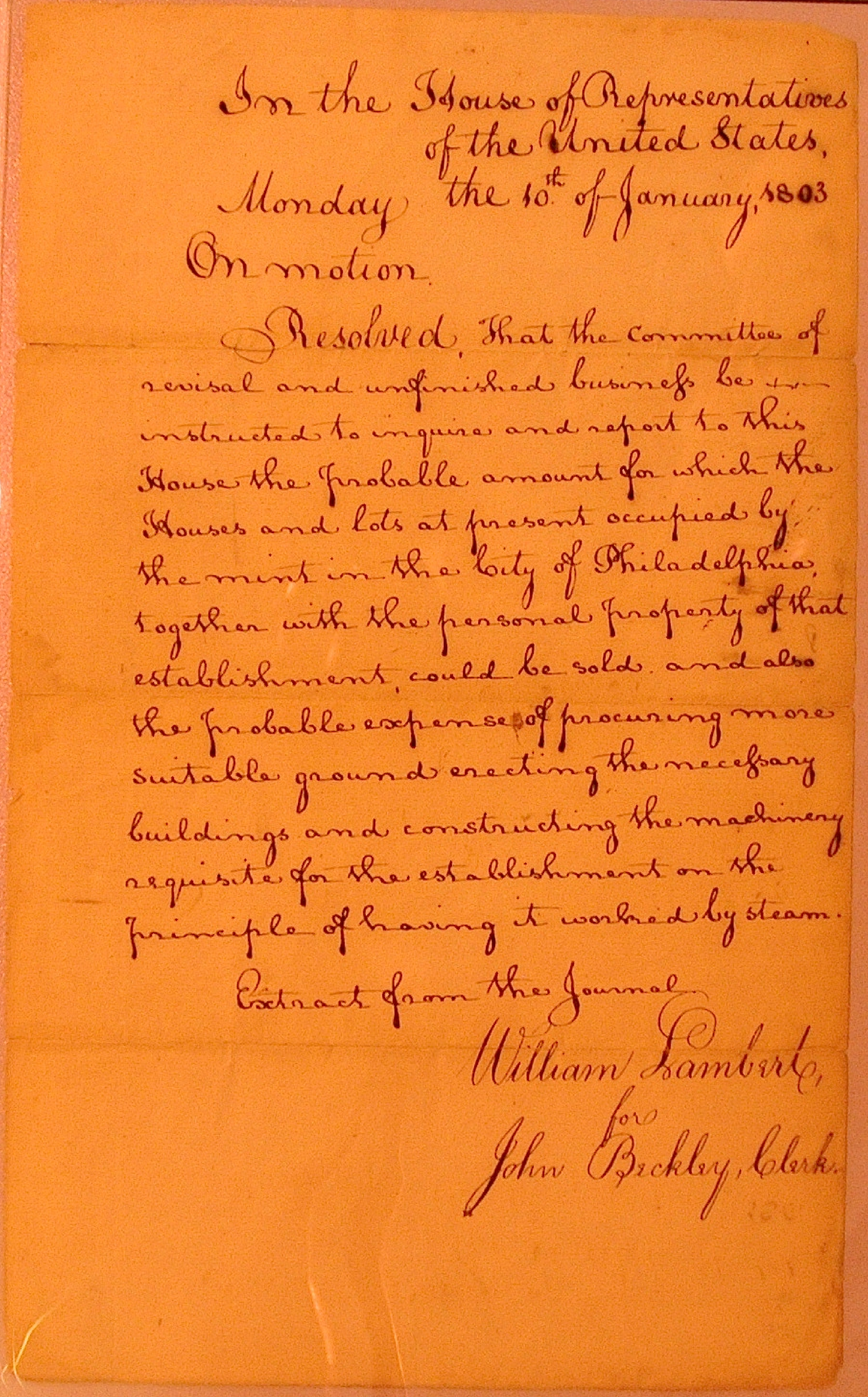
Your letter of the 29th ultimo, has been received, and I have directed the ſum of Four thousand Seven hundred & thirty eight dollars and thirty Cents, to be remitted to Doctor Benjamin Rush, Tr of the Mint, being the precise amount of the deposited by him, in the Bank of the United Sta

I regret exceedingly, the difficulties to which you have been heretofore subjected in obtain money from this Department, on account of Cents deposited in the Bank to the credit of the Treaſurer, and with a view of guarding against similar occurrences in future, I would beg leave to recommend, that the original receipts of the Cashier or Teller, for each deposit, be transmitted to my Office.

Your statement of the transaction in regard to the copper clippings sold by the late Purveyor, is perfectly correct, but, in the present state of that busineſs, I do not see how a warrant can iſsue in favor of the Treaſurer of the Mint.

I am, very respectfully
Sir, your obedient hum

Elias Boudinot Esqr
Director of the Mint



In the House of Representatives
of the United States,
Monday the 10th of January, 1803

On motion.

Resolved, That the committee of revisal and unfinished busineſs be instructed to inquire and report to this House the probable amount for which the Houses and lots at present occupied by the mint in the City of Philadelphia, together with the personal property of that establishment, could be sold, and also the probable expense of procuring more suitable ground erecting the neceſsary buildings and constructing the machinery requisite for the establishment on the principle of having it worked by steam.

Extract from the Journal

William Lambert,
for
John Beckley, Clerk.